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—OF THE—

FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Green River Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE

CHURCH AT RUTHERFORDTON

Rutherford County, North Carolina,

OCTOBER 1st, 2nd AND 3rd, 1891.

ELDER M. M. LANDRUM, Moderator.....Marion, N. C.
ADIN L. RUCKER, Clerk.....Rutherfordton, N. C.
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Elder C C Case	Green Hill,	Rutherford County, N. C.
" J R Denton	Dysartsville,	McDowell county, "
" H D Harrill	Forest City,	Rutherford county, "
" B B Harris	Cuba,	Rutherford county, "
" A Hunt	Gamble's Store,	Rutherford county, "
" Elbert Jackson	Turner,	Polk county, "
" C B Justice	Rutherfordton,	Rutherford county, "
" T B Justice	Rutherfordton,	Rutherford county, "
" W H Logan	Ayr,	Rutherford county, "
" A B Mashburn	Nealsville,	McDowell county, "
" J I Moffitt	Stone Mountain,	McDowell county, "
" M M Landrum	Marion,	McDowell county, "
" J R Pendergrass	Old Fort,	McDowell county, "
" J C Sorrels	Bridgewater,	McDowell county, "
" G W Settlemire	Old Fort,	McDowell county, "
" E L Taylor	Rutherfordton,	Rutherford county, "
" J H Taylor	Dimsdale,	Rutherford county, "
" Z T Whiteside	Uree,	Rutherford county, "

LICENTIATES.

Eli Haynes	Mills' Springs,	Polk county, N. C.
J M Taylor	Rutherfordton,	Rutherford county, N. C.
W H Glover	Rutherfordton,	Rutherford county, N. C.
M A Harvey	Old Fort,	McDowell county, N. C.

☞ Next session will be held with the church at Old Fort, McDowell County, N. C., beginning Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1892.

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PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

THURSDAY, October 1st, 1891.

The fifty-first annual session of the Green River Baptist Association convened with the Baptist church at Rutherfordton, Rutherford county, N. C., today.

The choir sang:

"There is a fountain filled with blood," &c.

Elder M. M. Landrum read the 53d chapter of Isaiah, and led us in prayer. After music, Elder Landrum preached the introductory sermon from Rom. 8: 1. "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the spirit." Among other things the speaker said, "That God is holy, just, right and pure, all will candidly admit. Without reconciliation with God, the immortal spirit of man must be banished forever from his presence. Man's natural inheritance, since the fall, is that of sin and enmity against God. But the Gospel provides a remedy for man's estrangement and alienation from his God. Through the obedience of Christ, in His death upon the cross, an atonement has been made. The way is so plain that the 'wayfaring man, though a fool, cannot err therein.' The Holy Spirit renews the heart. This, in itself, if it did not extend beyond this life, is a great and wholesome doctrine. By the gift of the free spirit, we become the legal heirs and representatives of the Lord Jesus Christ. He is ever at the right hand of the Father making reconciliation for us; His is not simply an imputed, but a real righteousness—not a figure, But a fulfillment. In the transfiguration,

Moses represents the Law,
Elias, the Prophets, and
Christ, the fulfillment.

Under the curse of the law, no wonder Jeremiah exclaims: "O that mine head were waters, and mine eyes were tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people." In the atonement of Christ, man's reconciliation with his God has been made complete; the Devil has been chained, and his power de-

throned. We have been purchased by Christ and accepted of the Father. We should walk in the light, assured that the world is looking on. It is the old, old story of the cross, and man's redemption that I bring to you, my co-laborers in the work. There are no new preludes, no new ways, no new theologies, but Christ and Him alone. Where, in all this glorious Bible, can you find more comfort for the christian than in the 8th chapter of Romans? A dying man whose vision had failed him, desired that his Bible should be brought and his fingers placed upon the 38th and 39th verses of this chapter. Then lisping, "For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." added, "I breakfasted with you this morning, but I shall sup with Christ tonight." Then closing his sightless orbs he slept with Him whom he loved. God does not forget His own. If He knows me today, He will know me forever. But our salvation is of grace. How I love that old song.

"Amazing grace, how sweet the sound!"

So many know not God, there is great need of consecrated lives and devoted workers. There is a work for all to do. Preachers should be more zealous than ever before in giving the pure, unadulterated Gospel of Christ to the nations of the earth. If the world is saved it must be done by the story of the cross.

After this tender appeal, Elder Z. T. Whiteside prayed. Hymn—

"All hail the power of Jesus' name."

Adjourned to 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met pursuant to adjournment, and called to order by Elder M. M. Landrum, former Moderator. Hymn, "Jesus, lover of my soul." Lesson: Psalms 133, Elder Landrum. Prayer, Elder G. P. Hamrick leading.

Brethren B B Price of the Marion, and A F Morgan of Pleasant Grove church, were requested to act as assistant clerks in organizing the body.

The churches composing the Association were called in their order, letters read, and messengers enrolled as follows:

FIRST DISTRICT.

1. *Beulah.*—R P Ponder, A L Pitman.
2. *Big Level.*—Elder J H Taylor, N T Mills, S J Cowart, Wm Burwell.
3. *Bill's Creek.*—When this church was called, two letters, purporting to represent the church, were handed in. On motion of Elder C B Justice, these were both tabled, until the Association shall have been permanently organized.
4. *Chimney Rock.*—R K Freeman, J Shitle.
5. *Columbus.*—N H Hill, N B Hampton.
6. *Coopers Gap.*—H K Corn, J K Gibbs,* James A Mills, Marion Whiteside, J M Gibbs.
7. *Green's Creek.*—T E Walker, G B Brady.
8. *Green River.*—T C Page, J H Blanton, T P Covington.
9. *Montford's Cove.*—J W Halford,* J A Wilkerson, J L Nichols, Geo H Hemphill.
10. *Piney Knob.*—A W Green, M L Blan, Elder B B Harris.*
11. *Pleasant Grove.*—J T Lewis, A F Morgan.
12. *Pleasant Hill.*—O P Taylor, John Sane, John M Walker.
13. *Rock Spring.*—Richard Ledbetter, Jerry Jackson.
14. *Rutherfordton.*—Elder T B Justice,* Elder C B Justice, Elder H D Harrill, Elder E L Taylor, J S Canady, A L Grayson, W T Payseur.
15. *Shiloh.*—N Scoggin, A B Jones,* J L Davis, J M Walker, John Brooks.
16. *Silver Creek.*—Elder Elbert Jackson, N Arledge, I S Higgins, Rufus Constant.*
17. *Stone Mountain.*—S B Grant, A W Morgan.
18. *White Oak.*—Elias Walker,* B M Clark,* G A Thorn,* T W Whiteside,* Otis I Nelson

SECOND DISTRICT.

1. *Bethel.* A L Bright, A W Hogan, R P Morris, Thomas Morris, J F Morgan, E G Goforth.
2. *Bethlehem.* I L Reel, W H Gilliam.*
3. *Bridgewater.* P P Price, J C Price.
4. *Camp Creek.* R Biggerstaff, J P Duffy, E M Johnson.
5. *Cane Creek.* E Walker, James Walker.*
6. *Catawba.* M A Harvey.
7. *Clear Creek.* A Silver, C P Rader.*
8. *Cherry Spring.* (Not represented.)
9. *Dysartsville.* Elder J R Denton, W S Walker, J D Hogan, J W Walker, W H Taylor, A R Yelton.
10. *Hominy Grove.* Elder J C Sorrels, A P Sorrels, W W Sorrels.
11. *Hall Town.* (Not represented.)
12. *Macedonia.* J Ward, B L Watkins.*
13. *Marion.* Elder M M Landrum, B B Price, B F Corpening.
14. *Mountain Creek.* J W Elliott, C M Keeter, H K Keeter, J F Edwards, C S Lynch, A L Rucker.
15. *Mount Vernon.* J G Logan, N J Rollins, E M Morgan, Weldon Hampton, J A Walker, J R Walker.
16. *Old Fort.* R H Moore, M G Pendergrass.*
17. *Round Hill.* L L Deck, C O Sorrels, R H Barnes, J W Nanney.
18. *Turkey Cove,* R P Hollifield,
19. *Zion Hill.* J H Reel,* J A Pendergrass*, F Ledford.

NOTE.—Those with star added to name, means absent.

On motion of J S Canady the rules were suspended, and Elder M M Landrum was re-elected Moderator by acclamation. Remarks by Elder Landrum.

On motion of Elder J H Taylor, the rules were suspended and A L Rucker was re-elected clerk by acclamation. Remarks by A L Rucker.

On motion of Elder C B Justice, it was agreed that a committee of three be appointed whose business it shall be to inquire into the merits of contending delegates from Bill's Creek church, and report same at its earliest convenience, to this body. Elder J H Taylor objected to the motion, and thought the matter in controversy was a question that was broad enough for the consideration of the Association.

The question being called, the motion was carried and the Moderator appointed Elder C B Justice, J C Price and N B Hampton, who immediately retired for consultation with the contending delegations.

The following was agreed on:

HOURS OF MEETING—At 9.30 A. M., 2.30 P. M., and 7.30 P. M., the latter meeting to be devoted to religious exercises exclusively. ADJOURNMENT at pleasure.

Visiting brethren invited to seats.

The invitation was accepted by Elder J A Speight, editor "Asheville Baptist." In accepting the courtesies of the body he wants all items of interest incident to the History of the Baptist Denomination; and compliments a feature of our Minutes, "Echoes from the churches," in 1890, as being in advance of anything in the State. J C Caddell, of the "Biblical Recorder," accepts courtesies. Says the "Recorder" is the property of all the N. C. Associations; but he will speak more fully of its claims upon the Baptists later.

Elders G P Hamrick of the King's Mountain, W F Sorrels of the Spartanburg, G W Rollins and Z D Harrill of the Sandy Run, and Bro R A Freeman of the Carolina Association, accepted seats.

Elder M H Hoyle, in charge of the Rutherfordton Methodist Circuit, was tendered the courtesies of the body.

The committee following were announced by the Moderator:

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES—Pastor and deacons of Rutherfordton Baptist Church.

FINANCE—A L Grayson, B B Price, O I Nelson.

By request of Elder J R Denton, the Rules of Order were read by the clerk.

The clerk at this time made some explanation of the disposition made of last year's Minute fund.

Brethren N J Rollins and A F Morgan speak of the subjects to be treated at night, resulting in modifications stated above.

B B Price moved to adjourn.

At this juncture the committee on Bill's Creek delegation returned to the house, and the motion was withdrawn to give committee time to report.

Elder C B Justice read as follows:

Your committee, after hearing both sides of the statement of both parties claiming to represent Bill's Creek church, would insist that we recommend that brethren Rev W H Logan, D C Brown, S G Williams, I E Frady and J F Logan be seated as delegates from Bill's Creek church.

C B JUSTICE,
N B HAMPTON,
J C PRICE,
} Committee.

When the report was read, Elder J H Taylor moved that the report be tabled and the committee discharged.

Elder J R Denton thought the matter should be brought before the Association, and preferred rather to accept the opinion of the body than that of the committee.

Elder C B Justice thought we could not enter into every church difficulty that might present itself for investigation to the extent of excluding other and more important subjects to which the Association was expected to give expression.

Elder H D Harrill renewed the motion to adjourn, which was carried. Prayer, Elder J A Speight leading.

Adjourned to 9.30 tomorrow.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, October 2d, 1891.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, and called to order by Moderator.

After music, Elder M M Landrum read the 13th chapter 2d Corinthians. Elder J A Speight led us in prayer.

In answer to call for messengers from other bodies, Elder D H Baker, blind, of the New Found Association, accepted a seat.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The motion to table report and discharge committee on Bill's Creek delegation, was further discussed by Elders J R Denton, C B Justice, J H Taylor and Bro N Scoggin. The motion to table was adopted.

A communication from deacons of New Prospect Baptist church, S. C., was read by Elder W F Sorrels, as follows:

Spartanburg County, S. C., September 27th, 1891.

Deacons of New Prospect Baptist Church, to Green River Association:

Dear Brethren: One of your boys, Rev W F Sorrels, is our pastor, and has been faithful for three years. There has not been one vote given against him in this county since he moved here. He has *unanimous* calls to four churches in this county; about 1100 members in the four churches. But he has one or two enemies who are circulating slanderous reports against him. Not finding anything against him here, they report that he has been married and left his wife. Is this so? If the brother is worthy, please give him a recommendation. We won't have the cause and an innocent man abused in our community.

Done in Deacons' meeting and signed by order of same.

A J DORMAN, Chairman.
W F COGGINS, Secretary.

Elder Z T Whiteside moved that Bro Sorrels be fully exhonerated, and that a committee of three be appointed to reply. The motion was adopted, and the Moderator appointed Elders C B Justice, H D Harrill and Bro A L Grayson to answer. They replied as follows:

Rutherfordton, N. C., October 2d, 1891.

The Green River Baptist Association, to the Deacons of New Prospect Baptist Church, Spartanburg County, S. C.:

Dear Brethren: Your letter of inquiry relative to the previous and present character of Rev W F Sorrels is before us. In answer thereto we would say, that so far as the charge now circulated among you "that he had been married and has a wife now living," is without foundation, and utterly false. Brother Sorrels has never been married. He has always maintained a character for morality, integrity and christian consistency, that has been above reproach. We cheerfully recommend him to you and all with whom he may be thrown as a brother worthy of your confidence and co-operation.

C B JUSTICE,
H D HARRILL, } Committee.
A L GRAYSON,

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Periodicals—John M Walker, T C Smith, Jerry Jackson.
[These first announced last night.]
State Missions—J S Canady, R H Moore, N H Hill.
Home Missions—Elders Z T Whiteside, J R Denton, Bro N Scoggin.
Foreign Missions—Elders C B Justice, G W Settlemire, Bro A P Sorrels.
State of Religion—Elders J C Sorrels, J H Taylor, Bro T C Page.
Sunday schools and Colportage—A F Morgan, J C Price, Wm Walker.
Baptist Orphanage—Elder H D Harrill, L L Deck, A P Hollifield.
Education—Elder J C Sorrels, John Brooks, B Biggerstaff.
Temperance—N J Rollins, J F Edwards, A Silver.
Deceased Ministers—J C Price, W H Taylor, Elder Elbert Jackson.
Nominations to State, and Southern Baptist Conventions; Introductory Sermon, &c—C O Sorrels, P P Price, Richard Ledbetter.
Recognized Elder A G McManaway, D.D., editor "N. C. Baptist," and Bro J H Mills, Superintendent Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C.

On motion, agreed to hold the next session of this Association with the church at Old Fort, McDowell Co., N. C., September 29th and 30th, and Oct. 1st, A. D. 1892.

Corresponding messengers were appointed as follows:

To the King's Mountain Association, which convenes with the Baptist church at Gastonia, Thursday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1892:—Elders E L Taylor and H D Harrill.

To the Sandy Run Association, which meets with the Baptist church at Forest City, Thursday, Nov. 5th, 1891:—Elders J R Denton, H D Harrill, M M Landrum, and brethren H Portrum, L L Deck, T P Covington, J S Canady, E Walker, Joseph Walker.

Report on Foreign missions was read by Elder C. B. Justice:

Your committee on Foreign Mission Report recommend the adoption of the following from the October number of the "Foreign Mission Journal:"

"The Centennial Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, at its late meeting, decided to recommend to the Baptists of the South the raising of a special centennial fund of $250,000. Of this, $125,000 to be given to the Home Board as a building fund, and $125,000 to the Foreign Board for church building, translation of the Scriptures, and other work of a permanent nature. The Foreign Board has need now for several thousand dollars for the purchase of church houses in several of its fields. While we are becoming more and more convinced that the time is passed when expensive church buildings ought to be erected on mission fields, yet we see constantly the need of some places being secured where our brethren may work, and where the feeble bands of converts may find fixed places of worship. We ought also to be in condition to supply, from our own treasury, the more and more frequent demands that come from our foreign fields for literature, to be used in connection with other methods of work among the people. We ought not to be dependent on other organizations for supplies of Bibles and tracts used by our missionaries.

A Few Facts.—We earnestly beg the readers of the "Journal" to think about and talk about these facts. They are serious enough to require thought and to call forth prayer and action.

1. The work of the Board is growing. Since the meeting of the Convention in May last nineteen new workers have been added to the force already in the field. We give their names and places of labor:

Rev J J Taylor and wife, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Rev W E Entzminger and wife, Bahia, Brazil; Rev J L Downing and wife, Minas, Brazil; Miss L A McDavid, Saltillo, Mexico; Miss S A Cooke, Saltillo, Mexico; Miss Sallie Hale, Parras, Mexico; Rev G W Greene and wife, Canton, China; Rev L W Pierce, Yangchow, China; Miss Nellie A Miner, Chinkiang, China; Miss C J White, Chinkiang, China; Rev W H Sears and wife, Tungchow, China; Rev W D King, Tungchow, China; Mrs C E Smith, Abeokuta, Africa; Rev S G Pinnock, Africa. This last is a brother who comes to us from the Methodist mission in Africa, and is highly commended by the brethren of our mission there.

2. The outfit, traveling expenses and salaries of these missionaries will add from $15,000 to $20,000 to the expenses of the Board this year. And this money has been, in large part, already expended in outfit and traveling expenses.

3. These extraordinary expenses have not been met by enlarged giving on the part of the churches. The consequence is that the Board has had to make extraordinarily large demands on the banks, and, as a result, has strained its credit at a time of year when such should not be the case. So far as we can see now, still heavier drafts will have to be made on the banks, as the October drafts from the various mission fields come in.

We wish to emphasize the fact that already we are very close to the outside limit allowed us by the banks, and unless the churches come promptly to our relief, we do not know where the money is to come from to meet these new calls. This work is the work of the churches and not of the banks, and the former, not the latter, should be the dependence of the Board.

4. This state of affairs can be remedied, so far as we can see, only by prompt and liberal gifts on the part of the Lord's people. The Board has no resources beyond these.

5. The Board needs and calls for the prayers first, and then the gifts of the people."

A little of the same kind of effort which was put forth by our friends a year ago, would soon swell our list to goodly proportions.

C B JUSTICE,
G W SETTLEMIRE,
A P SORRELS, } Committee.

Pending the motion to adopt, the report was discussed by Elders C B Justice, J A Speight and G P Hamrick.

Church pledges to this object, as follows:

Beulah	$2 00	Big Level	$ 5 00
Bill's Creek	5 00	Chimney Rock	2 00
Columbus	10 00	Cooper's Gap	5 00
Green River	10 00	Green's Creek	5 00
Mountain Creek	50 00	Pleasant Hill	25 00
Rock Spring	5 00	Silver Creek	5 00
White Oak	2 50	Bethel	15 00
Bethlehem	5 00	Bridgewater	5 00
Camp Creek	4 00	Cane Creek	2 00
Clear Creek	5 00	Dysartsville	10 00
Macedonia	2 00	Harmony Grove	20 00
Marion	20 00	Montford's Cove	5 00
Old Fort	5 00	Piney Knob	5 00
Round Hill	8 00	Pleasant Grove	5 00
Turkey Cove	2 00	Stone Mountain	3 00
Zion Hill	1 00	Mount Vernon	20 00
Shiloh	10 00	Rutherfordton	150 00

Individual pledges as follows:

J W Thompson paid $1, M A Harvey 1, J H Callahan 2.50, Joseph M Walker 1. $443 50; individuals $5 50, making grand total of $449 00.

In addition to above, a cash collection of $12 50 was obtained.

Recurring to the motion to adopt, it was unanimously concurred in.

The following special orders were made:

Orphanage, 3 P M to-day. State Missions, 10 A M to-morrow.

The special order regarding all night sessions being devoted to religious exercises, so modified as to allow the subject of Education to be made special order for 7.30 this evening.

Recognized Elder J B Green as a messenger of the Sandy Run Association.

Adjourned to 2.30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met pursuant to adjournment, the Moderator in the chair.

On motion of Elder C B Justice, the Moderator was requested to appoint a committee of five to assist the brethren at Bill's Creek to adjust difficulties.

Following is the committee:

Elders C B Justice, Z T Whiteside, Elbert Jackson and brethren J C Price and A F Morgan.

The report of standing committee on Obituary was read by A L Rucker, of the committee, as follows:

OBITUARY.—Elder Elijah Oliver Lynch, the 5th of the ten children of Laxton and Elizabeth Lynch, was born in Rutherford county, N C, Sept. 27th, 1813. His parents migrated to this country from Virginia soon after the Revolutionary war and settled on Broad River, eleven miles west of Rutherfordton, where they spent the remainder of their days. His only educational advantages were those of the "old field schools," as they were then termed. The public school system was not originated until 1840,—27 years after brother Lynch's birth, and were, consequently, of no personal interest to him. He managed, however, to learn to read very well, and had some idea of Arithmetic and Grammar. He was first married to Eleanor Green, Jan'y 15th, 1835. She died on 28th of January, 1861, leaving five children. He was married a second time to Easter Ledbetter, July 30, 1861. She, too, died on the 5th of October, 1862, bequeathing her four small children to her disconsolate husband. Both of brother Lynch's wives were exceptionally good women. He was converted to christianity on the 6th of May, 1839, and joined Bill's Creek Baptist church on the 19th of the same month. His membership was transferred to Rock Spring church, which was organized in 1847 or 1848. Here he was licensed to preach in 1857, and preached his initial sermon on the 5th day of January, 1858, from these words: "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man gain in exchange for his soul?" Mat. 16:26. During the meeting of the Western N. C. Baptist Convention at Rock Spring, he was ordained to the full Gospel ministry on the 2d day of September, 1860; the Presbytery consisting of Elders Thomas Stradley, Baily Buice, J C Grayson, N Bowen, Lewis McCurry, Wade Hill and others. He was a delegate to the Association from Bill's Creek in 1844-'45-'47'-50 and 51; and from Rock Spring, 1854-'56-'58-'59-'60-'61-'66-'67-'69-'71-'75-'78-'79-'81 and '83. He served on the following committees: Union meetings, 1850-'51; Book Concern, 1860; Arrangements, 1861; to settle difficulties existing in Columbus church, 1862; and Temperance, 1858, '69 and '71. He was corresponding messenger to Salem Association, 1858 and 1863, and a delegate to the Western Baptist Convention, 1858-'59-'63. He wrote the Circular Letter for the Green River Association at the session of 1861 on the subject of Temperance, which your committee regard as the ablest document, upon this subject, to be found among the archives of this body. He was the readiest and best Scripturist in the Association. He could give upon a moment's notice, book, chapter and verse of any given passage. He was a living concordance, having read during the last five years of his life the Bible through consecutively thirty-five, and the New Testament thirty-seven times, besides reading in a disconnected way much more than this. Aside from his knowledge of the Bible he was well posted on Fuller's, Whitefield's, Spurgeon's and Wesley's writings and sermons, together with those of other eminent divines and scholars.

A slight impediment in his speech rendered him non-acceptable as a preacher with many, while some doubted his ability and piety. For this and the additional trouble of a lung affection which seemed constitutional, he refused every pastorate tendered, no matter how temptingly bestowed, and contented himself in doing such work as chance or circumstance offered. In this way he was not only a great help to the regular ministers about him, but accomplished a great deal of good to the churches. Though yearly becoming more and more enfeebled by his cough, he continued his regular attendance at church up to, and including the last regular meeting before his death.

About a week before his demise, he collected together all his books and papers, and after carefully arranging them remarked, that he would never need them any more. Overcome at last by a malady which he had been fighting for many long and weary years, he took his bed to rise no more. He had lived to see all of his children save one happily converted

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to God; and trusting in the promise that the children of the righteous would never be forsaken, he was ready now to rest. A short time before his end he begged his family and friends not to leave him, but to stay and witness how triumphantly a christian could die. On the 25th day of Jan., 1885, he quietly gave back his soul to its Author, at the age of seventy-one years, three months and twenty-eight days.

At his own request, his remains were interred between his two deceased companions at Rock Spring church, where they await the resurrection of the just. On his tomb we read:

"Faithful servant of God well done;
Rest from thy loved employ:
The battle fought, the vict'ry won,
Enter thy Master's joy."

J C SORRELS,
H PORTRUM,
A L RUCKER,
Committee.

P. S.—The last son, referred to above as being out of Christ at his father's death, was soon afterward converted; so that all of brother Lynch's children may now be regarded as humble followers of Christ.

COMMITTEE.

Report adopted.

Report on deceased ministers read by J C Price.

We, the committee on deceased ministers beg leave to submit the following: We feel very thankful to our Heavenly Father, that He has been so kind and good to us, not to take any of our ministers from us by death during the past year, and that we are able to meet together again in another Association.

Respectfully submitted.

J C PRICE,
W H TAYLOR,
ELBERT JACKSON,
Committee

The report was adopted.

N J Rollins, Chairman of the committee on Temperance, read the following report:

We, your committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit the following report: We are proud to see the prospect so encouraging, and christians so determined to drive the evils of whiskey from our midst; and we are proud to report that there are evidences of progress all along the line. Our report cannot be as full as we desire to make it on account of a want of fuller reports on this subject in the church letters on the Temperance question. We pray God to help the enliven membership of this Association to abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, and use all means in their power to drive it from our midst, believing it to be the greatest enemy of souls with which we have to contend.

Respectfully submitted,

N J ROLLINS,
J F EDWARDS,
A SILVER,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, Elder C B Justice, Eld J C Sorrels and J S Canady spoke to the report, and motion carried.

The time for the consideration of the special order—the Baptist Orphanage—having arrived, Elder H D Harrill read as follows:

Our Orphanage, organized Nov. 15th, 1884, has thus far been a success in every department of the work. We find that the necessary buildings are erected, though they need some repairs to make them what they should be. There have been registered up to this time 228 children. Of these, 96 have been discharged who are, with few exceptions, doing well. Nine have died and five went away without leave. At this time there are at the

Orphanage, 118 children. A number of these are the children of our deceased brethren and sisters, and entirely dependent upon us, as a denomination, for their support. "The poor shall never cease out of the land." Therefore I command thee, saying, "Thou shall open thy hand wide to thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy in the land." "I delivered the poor that cried, and the fatherless, and him that had none to help him. I was a father to the poor." And again, "As I do, so do ye."

Brethren, these 118 children are dependent upon us. Remember that the winter will soon be here, and they will not only need food, but clothing to keep them warm. Those now at the Orphanage represent only a part of those who should be there. Possibly twice as many more are wanting to go, and should be sent there. Therefore, brethren, let us increase our contributions to this department of the Lord's work.

H D HARRILL,
L L DECK,
R P HOLLIFIELD, } Committee.

A motion was made to adopt the report.

Elder H D Harrill introduced J H Mills, Supt. of the Orphanage, who made a splendid effort in behalf of the orphans. He was followed by J C Caddell, of the "Recorder."

The following collection was received and paid to J H Mills:

C B Justice $5, J S Canady 5, A L Grayson 5, J W Blan 5, W T R Bell 5, V C Hicks 5. Misses Mamie Canady and Linda Scoggin, for little girls of Rutherfordton church $13.10. T C Smith $5 paid in shoes. M M Landrum Mrs Martha Odom, J C Sorrels, T C Page, H D Harrill, Miss Mary Wells, Adie A Rucker, C O Sorrels, J C Price, Z V Geer, Mrs J M Williams, L L Deck, T P Covington, C B Justice, P P Price, J M Smith, J A Hodge, T J Hampton, Wm M Whiteside, W L Blan, D E Huntley, Mrs S S Denton, Joseph Hodge, Mrs Mary McArthur, C W Watkins, J M Toms, M H Justice, A F Morgan, Geo W Biggerstaff, J S Canady, John Brooks, J H Callahan, R H Barnes, T J Jones, M A Davis, W H Taylor, R H Moore, John Willie Sayne, each $1.00—$38.00. Hat collection, $17.38. Leroy Smith five cents. Totals cash $102 00; shoes $5; grand total $103.53. Besides above, several "odds and ends" in the way of contributions were handed to A L Grayson, Treasurer, which I have not been able to get before closing report.

The report was adopted.

Adjourned to 7.30 this evening.

Benediction by Elder A G McManaway, D.D.

NIGHT SESSION.

Association met at 7.30 P. M. After music by choir and prayer by Elder W F Sorrels, the body was called to order by the Moderator.

Elder C B Justice read a letter to deacons of New Prospect church, S. C., which was approved and appears in connection with request in the proceedings of this morning, q. v.

Special order—Education—discussed by J H Mills and J C Caddell. On motion of J R Denton, adjourned.

Benediction by Elder G W Rollins.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, October 3d, 1891.

The Association met at 9.30 A. M.

The Moderator, after calling the Association to order, read the 43d Psalm. Prayer, Elder J C Sorrels leading.

The Minutes of yesterday were read by the clerk, and approved.

The discussion on Education was continued by Elder C B Justice, after reading a letter from Elder W R Gwaltney, agent.

The following church pledges were made for ministerial education at Wake Forest College:

Beulah	$1 00	Chimney Rock	$1 00
Columbus	2 00	Cooper's Gap	1 00
Green River	2 00	Piney Knob	1 00
Pleasant Grove	1 00	Pleasant Hill	2 00
Rock Spring	1 00	Rutherfordton	15 00
Silver Creek	2 00	Stone Mountain	1 00
White Oak	2 00	Bethel	5 00
Bridgewater	2 00	Camp Creek	1 00
Harmony Grove	2 00	Marion	5 00
Mountain Creek	5 00	Mount Vernon	3 00
Old Fort	2 00	Round Hill	1 00
Turkey Cove	1 00		
T D Walker (self)	1 00	Total pledges	$60 00

The hour for special order—State Missions—having arrived, it was agreed to extend time to 11 o'clock with the hope that Elder C Durham would arrive on the train by that time.

Brother John Martin Walker read the report on Periodicals.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Brethren:—We submit the following report: We recommend the "Biblical Recorder" as the organ of the Baptist State Convention; the "Foreign Mission Journal" as the organ of Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; "Charity and Children," representing the Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C., as educational helps to us in understanding the true characters and wants of the different departments of the Lord's work. We would be glad to know that these Periodicals were being read in all the families connected with this Association. We earnestly recommend them to the patronage of all our people.

JOHN M WALKER,
T C SMITH, } Committee.
JERRY JACKSON,

On motion to adopt, J C Caddell, Elders M M Landrum, J R Denton, G W Rollins and H D Harrill spoke. Many subscribers were obtained—38 for "Charity and Children," about 30 for "N. C. Baptist," and a good list for the "Asheville Baptist" and the "Recorder."

The report was adopted.

The hour for the consideration of State Missions having arrived, brother J S Canady read the following:

Dear Brethren: When we look out upon the field of North Carolina, we see that it is "white unto the harvest," and we not only pray the Lord to send more laborers into the vineyard, but we realize that there is a grand work before us that the Lord requires at our hands; that while there has been great progress, this only tends to more plainly open out to our vision the undeveloped portions of God's vineyard; and when we take God's Word and read His command, "Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive." Mat. 20:4, and again, "Go ye also into the vineyard and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive." Mat. 20:7. What can we say then? Can we stand idle when the Macedonian cry—"come over and help us"—is continually ringing in our ears, and the command of God—"Go"—is staring us in the face? God forbid, but let us go forward, and with our mouths and our means, with our hearts uplifted to God, take and cultivate the field that is so plainly spread out before us.

Respectfully submitted.

J S CANADY,
R H MOORE, } Committee.
NOAH HILL,

Pending motion to adopt, J S Canady, Elder C B Justice, J C Caddell and Elder J C Sorrels spoke to the point.

The following churches pledged for State Missions:

Big Level	$3 00	Chimney Rock	$1 00
Columbus	5 00	Cooper's Gap	3 00
Green's Creek	1 00	Green River	5 00
Piney Knob	2 00	Montford's Cove	5 00
Pleasant Grove	2 00	Pleasant Hill	5 00
Rock Spring	4 00	Rutherfordton	100 00
Silver Creek	5 00	Stone Mountain	2 00
White Oak	3 00	Bethel	10 00
Bethlehem	5 00	Bridgewater	10 00
Camp Creek	4 00	Cane Creek	1 00
Clear Creek	10 00	Dysartsville	5 00
Harmony Grove	5 00	Macedonia	1 00
Mountain Creek	20 00	Marion	15 00
Mount Vernon	15 00	Old Fort	5 00
Round Hill	4 00	Turkey Cove	1 00

Total amount pledged by churches $257 00

Individual pledges for same are as follows:

J H Callahan $2 50, J A Wilkerson (paid) 1, J S Canady 5, N B Hampton (paid) 1, Miss Alice Miller 50 cents, Miss Emma Scoggin 1, A L Pitman 1, M M Landrum (paid) 2, C B Justice (paid) 5, Jos M Walker 1.50, D M Smith 1, Z T Whiteside 2. Individual pledges $23.50. Grand total, $280 50

Report adopted.

It was proposed by Elder C B Justice, that the Association contribute money to buy a horse for Elder J C Sorrels, who is doing mission work under the auspices of the State Mission Board, in the counties of Burke and McDowell. A cash collection of $26 was obtained, and brethren N B Hampton, J S Canady and J C Price were appointed to solicit subscriptions in cash to increase the amount. Adjourned for dinner.

Benediction by Dr. M M Landrum.

The Association met at 2.30 P. M. and called to order by the Moderator.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.—Elder G W Rollins will preach in the Methodist church at once.

The next session of the Green River Sunday school Association will meet with the church at Green River on Saturday before 5th Sunday in November next.

The Associational Board of Missions will meet with them on Friday.

The committee to adjust difficulties at Bill's Creek will meet with that church on Saturday before first Sunday in November.

The following sums were paid by the persons named to assist Elder J C Sorrels to buy a horse for his mission work:

M M Landrum	$5 00	C B Justice	$5 00
J S Canady	5 00	J C Price	5 00
B B Price	4 00	P P Price	4 00
R H Moore	5 00	A L Grayson	4 00
N B Hampton	3 50	T C Page	1 00
A D K Wallace	1 00	A L Rucker	1 00
A T Morgan	1 00	A W Morgan	2 00
J H Callahan	1 00	H Portrum	1 00
Z T Whiteside	50	T C Smith	50
Miss Emma Scoggin	75	Joseph Scoggin	1 00
J W Thompson	50	M H Justice	5 00
I M Reel	50	John Washburn	2 00
J C Caddell	25	K J Carpenter	50
A F Bright	50		
		Total	$60 50

which being added to $26 collected before, now amounts to $86.50.

Brother Sorrels tried to thank the Association for this evidence of their appreciation of him and his work, but unlike his usual efforts, this speech was a failure—too thankful to speak.

A L Grayson, chairman, read the report on Finance:

The committee on Finance respectfully submit the following report: The churches have sent up $36.75 for Minutes. We recommend that the Clerk be paid $10 for his services, and that he furnish blank letters to the churches, and have Minutes printed with the balance—$26.75. We further recommend that the Clerk be allowed to retain $2.90, which he has collected on Minutes of last Association, for extra services rendered.

A L GRAYSON,
B B PRICE, } Committee.
O I NELSON,

The report was adopted.

A L Grayson, Treasurer of Association, read his annual report, which was adopted and referred to T C Smith, J S Canady and W L Lynch as an auditing committee.

See report elsewhere.

The following, known as the "Centennial Committee of American Missions," was announced, whose business

will be to prepare subjects and arrange for speakers at the next annual meeting of this body: Elder C B Justice, Chairman; Elder H D Harrill and brother A Silver.

The committee on Sunday schools and Colportage reported through A F Morgan as follows:

Your committee beg leave to report that the Sunday schools have accomplished a grand work in the bounds of this Association; and while we believe that much and lasting good has been done, and the work has greatly advanced, we regret that every church has not established a good Sunday school. This department of christian work has become so widely extended that but few churches are recognized as being efficiently equipped which do not establish and maintain Sunday schools. The churches now seem to need no argument to convince them of the necessity of this work, and amid the many interests that claim our attention as workers for Christ, there are few which appeal to our sense of religious obligations with greater urgency than this. What can be more likely to secure the approving smiles of Him who took little children in His arms and blessed them, than to plant in the tender hearts of youth the principles of Heavenly truth, and, in this noble work, teach them a "Definite Religion?" We recommend that the schools use as helps the international lessons, published by the American Baptist Publication Society, and "Kind Words" literature.

We also recommend the appointment of a Corporteur by this Association, for at least six months during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted.

J C PRICE,
A F MORGAN,
W S WALKER, } Committee

A motion was made to adopt.

Dr Landrum made a statement relative to the work in the State. J C Caddell, Elders M M Landrum, J C Sorrels and W H Glover spoke to the report.

The following pledges were made for colportage work:

Green River	$2 00	Bridgewater	$1 00
Bethel	2 00	Dysartsville	2 00
Camp Creek	1 00	Marion	2 00
Harmony Grove	5 00	M M Landrum	5 00
Turkey Cove	1 00		
A F Morgan	5 00	Total	$36 00
Rutherfordton	10 00		

The report was adopted, but no action taken in reference to appointment of colporteur.

C O Sorrels read the following, which was adopted:

Your committee on Nominations submit the following: To the Baptist State Convention, which meets at Goldsboro, N. C., November 10th, 1891—Elders Z T Whiteside, M M Landrum, C B Justice, J R Denton, H D Harrill, and brethren N B Hampton, A L Rucker, A L Grayson, A F Morgan and B B Price.

To Southern Baptist Convention, which meets at Atlanta, Ga., May 4, 1892—Elders M M Landrum, C B Justice, alternate.

To preach Introductory sermon at next session of this body—Elders C B Justice, M M Landrum, alternate.

C C SORRELS,
P P PRICE,
RICH'D LEDBETTER, } Committee.

On motion, all speakers are limited to ten minutes during remainder of this session.

The clerk, by request, read the following for committee on State of Religion:

While there is a seeming advance in some things, only 107 have been added to the churches by baptism during the last year. While we are grateful to the Lord for these, we fear there is something wrong; that there is a cause for the converting power being withheld. Is our ministry alive and awake? Is our piety and zeal active, giving out a clear light on the pathway of life? We fear that some of our watchmen have turned to the usual avocations of life—the plow handles, behind the counters, and in the school rooms—the silver trumpet of the Gospel laid aside for a time. Is it because they must do this to provide for their households? Then what are the thousands of christians—Baptists of this Association—doing to allow this? Are they alive to the tremendous fact that this world is rapidly passing up before the bar of God, many of them unprepared? Let us, each and all, ask ourselves this question: Am I doing all I can in the place to which God has called me, to convert the world to Jesus? Oh! for more of the Spirit of the Master!

J C SORRELS,
J H TAYLOR,
T C PAGE,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Elders C B Justice, Z T Whiteside, W H Glover, and brother J S Canady. The report was adopted.

Elder Z T Whiteside read the following report which was discussed by Elders J R Denton and Z T Whiteside, brethren J C Caddell and J S Canady. Adopted.

Your committee on Home Missions beg leave to report: Foreign Missions is, probably, the most important of any of the agencies with which we, as a denomination, have to do, on account of the millions we are trying to reach through this agency; but the next in importance, so far as numbers are concerned, is the work of the Home Mission Board. This Board is trying to reach all destitute localities within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention,—Indians, negroes, the Foreign populations which are coming within our borders. This Board is also doing a great work in the beautiful island of Cuba. Now, the destitution within the limits of the territory named should be supplied; and we, according to our ability, should contribute to the support of the missionaries in the home field. These are being employed and sent to the work as the means are furnished by the Baptist people of the South. The outlook for this work is encouraging. It has prospered and will, we feel assured, continue to prosper as the years go by.

Z T WHITESIDE,
J R DENTON,
N SCOGGIN,
Committee.

Church pledges for Home Missions are as follows:

Big Level	$2 00	Green River	$2 00
Cooper's Gap	2 00	Pleasant Hill	5 00
Piney Knob	2 00	Rutherfordton	50 00
Rock Spring	1 00	Stone Mountain	1 00
Silver Creek	2 00	Bethlehem	2 00
Bethel	5 00	Camp Creek	1 00
Bridgewater	2 00	Harmony Grove	2 00
Dysartsville	2 00	Mountain Creek	5 00
Marion	5 00	Old Fort	3 00
Mount Vernon	10 00		
Round Hill	2 00	Total	$111 00
Columbus	5 00		

Individual pledges for Home Missions are as follows:

Z T Whiteside $1, J W Thompson 1; Miss Leona Lynch, Cuban missions (paid) 60 cents. Total for Individuals $2.60. Grand total $113.60.

M M Landrum read a letter from Elder C A Woodson, Sec'y "Ministers' Relief Board," Durham, N. C., and spoke of the needs of this Board. Elder C B Justice objected to this additional burden, and thought that the churches should provide for their superanuated preachers.

A L Rucker favored the recognition of this Board, and read the following resolution and moved its adoption:

Resolved, That we try to raise among our churches, during the coming year, $50 for Ministers' Relief Board. H D HARRILL.

Elders H D Harrill and J R Denton spoke favoring its adoption. Elder C B Justice thinks he was misunderstood in his first talk.

The resolution was adopted.

B B Price read a resolution of thanks, as follows, which was adopted without discussion.

Resolved, That this Association return its thanks to the church and all the friends of this town and community, for the kind hospitality which they have shown in entertaining this Association; and to the Rail Road Companies for reduced rates. B B PRICE.

N B Hampton read:

Resolved, That this Association tender its thanks to Elder M M Landrum, its honored, pious, and consecrated Moderator, for his courteous, punctual and impartial management of all the business of the body; and pray God's richest blessings on him and all his charges. N B HAMPTON.

The resolution was adopted.

Query from Mount Vernon: "Is it to the glory of God to use instrumental music in the churches?"

Answer "Let each church decide this matter for itself."

The committee on religious exercises announced that Elder M M Landrum would preach in the Baptist and Elder Z T Whiteside in the Methodist church at 11 A M tomorrow.

Miss Lala Bland, nine years old, sang two songs, w[illegible] she accompanied on the organ, while a collection to get her a music[illegible]ducation was taken, amounting to $4.31.

When a motion to adjourn was made, a feeling of sadness pervaded the entire audience.

Elder C B Justice thanked the body for meeting this year with his church; it had been an inspiration to him and his brethren, and results could only be ascertained in eternity.

While the choir sang—

"Nearer my God to thee," and

"All hail! the power of Jesus' name,"

the brethren engaged in taking the parting hand.

This was alike the saddest and sweetest hour of the session,—saddest because the brethren must give up an intercourse so pleasant,—and sweetest because of the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Prayer, Elder J R Denton leading.

The Moderator declared the Association adjourned.

M. M. LANDRUM, Moderator.

ADIN L. RUCKER, Clerk.

SUNDAY'S SERVICES.

Elder M M Landrum preached in the Baptist church at 11 A M from "Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you."—James 4:8. Elder Z T Whiteside preached in the Methodist church at the same hour from St. John 17:17. "Sanctify them through thy truth; thy word is truth."

At 2 P M Elder J C Sorrels preached in the Baptist church from Genesis 32:28. "As a prince hast thou power with God."

This records the end of the fifty-first Annual Session of the Green River Baptist Association. Altogether, this session, was among the best of all its annual gatherings—liberal, hospitable, charitable and full of the Spirit of the Master.

The attendance throughout the entire session was large and the hospitality of the people, regardless of denominational lines, was full, free and overflowing. Collections for Foreign Mission $11.00. CLERK.

The following from Elder G P Bostick, Missionary to China addressed to Elder C B Justice, will be read with interest. It was intended to be read before the Association, but was neglected at the proper time,—the consideration of Foreign Missions,—but we are sure the brethren will be pleased to hear from one of our former members, who is devoting his life to the work of spreading the Gospel in a foreign land:

CHEFOO, CHINA, August 6th, 1891.

To the Churches of the Green River Association:

My Dear Brethren and Sisters:—In the goodness of a kind Heavenly Father, I am kept to be able again to address a line to you, as you shall assemble by Messengers to deliberate upon matters pertaining to the Kingdom of God. From my far away home, surrounded by the idolatry and darkness of the heathen, I greet you in the name of our common Master, and pray that the blessings of the Holy Spirit may abide with each one of you. Since you last met, God has greatly sustained me in my loneliness and sadness, occasioned by the death of my dear wife, and sending my only child to America. It has been inexpressibly harder because, for the most part, I could do no work, except study on the language. This constant work on the language told over me ere the close of last year, so that this year I have been able to do but little work on books; but have been enabled to go into the country and preach Christ to the people, and I have found real joy in this work.

My general health has been good. I have not found many eager people to hear the Gospel, but everywhere have found some who were willing to listen. I am, as best I can, sowing the seed by the waters. To give the increase, belongs to God; to work, is ours. I am not, in any way, discouraged, because I am conscious of doing God-given work. I do not know when China will be converted. It will be a long time yet, but God's command to us to give them the Gospel is binding, though they may finally reject it. As I see it, much of the time and money of many missionaries have been spent in trying to civilize China and get her ready for the Gospel. This is, I think, a great mistake, and we of our Mission here do nothing but preach Christ. The great need of China is many more godly, earnest men who will give themselves to a loving proclamation of Christ,—God's only remedy for sin,—and wait on God for results.

The Chinese are dying, A MILLION A MONTH, and going into eternity without God and without hope, where no ray of hope can ever reach them! Oh! brethren, help to send them the truth of Christ that has saved you! Do not worry about results; that is God's affair, if we do our duty. In this province are 36,000,000 of people with only ten men and women to give them the Truth as we hold it.

I am glad to see that most of the churches in your bounds are contributing to this work. Let none say that, because it is designated to me, I'm getting a very large salary—only $450, to support myself and child. All that you contribute goes to the Board, and aids to the spread of the Gospel in heathen lands.

I have no special report to make for the past year. I am doing best I can, trusting in God to guide, protect, and bless me. Among you all, some will have fallen during the past year. One by one we are going—

going to God and judgment! How stands the account with each of us? Are we ready to go? Have we been faithful with all that God has given us? I can only answer for myself, now and hereafter. No one else can answer for any one of you.

May Heaven's choicest blessings rest upon all of you, making you rich in faith and good-works. May the love of God, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit abide with you all. Amen!

Please pray for me, and the lost Chinese.

Fraternally yours, in the Lord.

G. P. BOSTICK.

Constitution of the Green River Baptist Association.

This Association shall be known as the Green River Baptist Association, and shall be composed of Baptist churches whose articles of faith and constitutions are in harmony with those of the Association.

Each church shall be allowed a representation of two delegates, in addition to their regular ordained ministers, and every church of over 50 members shall be allowed one additional delegate for every fifty additional members.

The primary objects of the Association shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College; to educate young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among the people of the State; to support the Gospel in the destitute portions of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the Gospel to the nations that have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel; to encourage the organization and support of Baptist Sunday schools, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in all its departments of labor.

This Association shall meet annually on Thursday before the first Sabbath in October.

The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Association, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

The Moderator shall preside or fill the chair, by calling some member of the body thereto, and enforce order in accordance with Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

The clerk shall record the proceedings, conduct the correspondence, and publish and distribute the Minutes.

The Treasurer shall receive all funds contributed by the churches or individuals to the objects of the Association, receipting the contributors for the same, and forward all contributions to their proper destination, and make a full report of all receipts and disbursements to the Association at its annual sessions, and on retiring from his office turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

There shall be appointed by the Association at each session a Board of Missions and Sunday schools, consisting of one member from each church belonging to the Association and several other brethren living in Rutherfordton or its immediate vicinity, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, which, during the intervals between the meetings of the Association, shall have charge of the various interests and objects fostered by the Association, and shall encourage the churches to give liberally thereto; and shall make a full report of its work, including such suggestions relative thereto as it may think advisable, to the Association at its annual sessions.

The President, or in case of his death or disqualification, any three members of the Board, may call a meeting thereof.

This Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives present voting in the affirmative.

C. B. JUSTICE.

Association Covenant.

ARTICLE 1. We believe in one only living and true God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost—and these are one in substance, and equal in power and glory.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

4. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in, by his own free will and ability.

5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only through the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

6. We believe the saints shall persevere in grace, and that they never shall finally fall away.

7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects thereof.

8. We believe immersion is the only spiritual mode of baptism.

9. We believe that no person has a right to administer the ordinances but such as are regularly called and qualified thereto.

10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment; that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting, and the joys of the righteous eternal.

11. We, the members of the Green River Baptist Association, agreeing to the above Articles of Faith, do, for and in behalf of the churches which we represent, covenant and agree, and give ourselves up to each other in church and Christian fellowship, in order to keep up the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace, and to assist each other in all matters of distress, and to pray for each other's prosperity.

Rules of Order.

RULE 1. Every meeting of business shall be opened and closed with prayer, either by the Moderator or some brother whom he shall appoint.

2. Each speaker shall arise and address the Moderator on any subject to be discussed.

3. No motion shall be debated unless seconded. No member shall speak more than twice (twenty minutes each,) on the same motion without special leave of the Association.

4. The Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by ballot, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

5. Every question shall be decided by the living voice, unless otherwise directed.

6. During the hours of business all private conversation, walking across or out of the house, without permission of the Moderator first obtained, shall be deemed a breach of order.

7. The names of members shall be called each day previous to proceeding to business.

8. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, signed by the mover, and handed to the Moderator or Clerk before they are debated.

9. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to commit, to lay on the table, or to amend, which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged. But no motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment.

10. When a motion has once been made and carried in the affirmative or negative, it shall be in order for any member who voted with the majority to move for reconsideration thereof on the same day.

11. When the reading of any paper is called for, and objected to by any member, it shall be determined by a vote of the Association.

12. No member shall absent himself in time of business, unless he be sick and unable to attend.

13. All questions, except such as relate to the Constitution, shall be decided by a majority vote.

14. Should the Moderator fail to enforce the foregoing regulations, he shall be regarded as untrue to his trust, and shall be liable to be reminded of his duty by any member present.

Order of Business of Green River Association.

1st, Fix time of meeting and adjourning.
2d, Call for messengers present without letters from their churches.
3d, Call for application for membership in this body.
4th, Appoint committees on Preaching and Finance.
5th, Recognize, in their official capacity, any present who may represent general denominational interests.
6th, Call for coreespondents, renewing the call at the opening of each morning session.
7th, Invite ministers of our denomination to seats with us, renewing the call at the opening of each morning session.
8th, Appoint committees on State of Religion, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Sabbath schools, Temperance, Education, Orphanage, Deceased Ministers, Nominations in State and Southern Conventions, urging reports soon as possible.
9th, Miscellaneous business.
10th, Appoint a brother of the church to which he belongs, beginning with oldest church, to write a historical sketch of same.
11th, Give an opportunity to present the claims of Foreign, Home and State Missions, and Orphanage, with any other general interest supported by this body.
12th, Fix time and place of next meeting, and appoint the introductory preacher and alternate; also the minister to preach the missionary sermon.
13th, Arrange general (or union) meetings.
14th, Appoint correspondents to other bodies.
15th, Call for reports of committees.
16th, Elect delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions.
17th, Elect Executive Board, provided for in Constitution.
18th, Arrange for printing, distributing Minutes and paying Clerk.
19th, Adjourn.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received as follows:

	State Mis.	Foreign Mis.	Home Mis.	Education.	Orphanage.
Beulah	$1 00	$1 25			
Big Level	2 27	5 00	50		
Bill's Creek, per J W Thompson	2 75			$ 1 00	
Bethel	4 55	16 35	$2 60		
Bethlehem	5 00	5 00			$2 26
Bridgewater	5 00	10 00			
Chimney Rock		2 45			
Columbus	2 00	3 28			
Cooper's Gap	5 00	10 00			
Cane Creek	2 00	2 00		1 00	
Camp Creek	4 20	4 28	1 60		
Cherry Spring	1 00				
Catawba	35	2 00			
Clear Creek	10 00	2 05			
Dysartsville		15 00			
Green's Creek	3 18	5 00			
Green River	5 00	8 02			
Harmony Grove	1 01	6 00			
Montford's Cove	4 55	20 00	4 00		
Marion	8 75	8 75	3 00		
Macedonia	2 00	2 00		1 00	
Mountain Creek	10 15	28 05			
Mount Vernon	15 00	20 01	10 01		50
Old Fort	5 00	5 00			
Oak Grove		3 10			
Piney Knob	3 80	5 00		1 70	
Pleasant Grove	1 00	5 00			
Pleasant Hill	5 69	11 37	5 69	1 00	6 05
Rutherfordton (S S Missions $11.80	65 00	131 01	37 90	11 80	35 45
Round Hill	6 50	7 30	1 75		4 10
Rock Spring	4 00	5 00			
Silver Creek		4 21			
Shiloh	40	1 65	1 50		1 20
20. (C. & C., 2 subscriptions last year					2 35
Turkey Cove		3 00			
White Oak	1 25				
Zion Hill	50	1 92			
Sunday school Convention		13 01			
Collections at Association		23 50			98 53
J K Gibbs	1 00				
L T Jackson	1 00				
Rev Z T Whiteside	2 00	2 00			
Rev J C Sorrels	5 00	11 00			
Rev A B Mashburn	1 00				
Rev C B Justice	2 00				
Rev C Durham	1 00				
A L Rucker	2 00	1 00			
H H Gibbs	1 00				
J F Morgan	1 00				
L L Deck	50				
Rev H D Harrill	50				

TREASURER'S REPORT—(*Continued.*)

Received as follows:

	State Mis.	Foreign Mis.	Home Mis.	Education	Orphanage
J S Canady	$ 2 00	$ 1 00			
Thomas Morris	1 00				
"Recorder"	1 00				
M G Crow	1 00				
D T McArthur	50				
D D Fortune	50				
Miss Lou Morris	50				
A W Morgan		5 60			
H Portrum		5 00			
Rev W H Glover		2 00			
William Flynn		50			
J L Lattimore		1 00			
J B Price		1 00			
D D Fortune		50			
J W Thompson		1 00			
I M Frady		1 00			
R S Owens		1 00			
T C Page		2 00	1 00		
R K Wilson		1 00			
Rev M M Landrum		1 00			
R P Geer		1 00			
J A Mahoney					$ 1 00
J M Toms					1 00
Rev J C Sorrels and wife					1 00
D P Londermilk					25
Patsy Dixon					25
J C Melton					1 00
John M Walker					1 00
Henry Hodge					1 00
O P Taylor					1 00
Leona Lynch, Cuban missions, 60 cents					
Totals	$212 40	$435 06	$69 55	$17 50	157 94

Received of Cuban Mission 60 cts; rec'd of S. S. Mission $11.80	$ 12 40
Specially received for Rev. J. C. Sorrels	86 00
Grand total received, all sources	$1033 85

Paid out during the year as follows:

To Rev J C Sorrels, State missions	$202 40	
To Rev C Durham, State missions	5 00	
To J D Boushall, Treasurer	5 00	$212 40
To J D Boushall, Treasurer, Foreign Missions		432 78
To J D Boushall, Treasurer, Home Missions		69 55
To J D Boushall, Treasurer, Ministerial Education		17 50
To J D Boushall, Treasurer, Sunday school missions		11 80
To J D Boushall, Treasurer, Cuban missions		60
To Thomas H Briggs, Treas., Endowment Wake Forest		43 00
To H L Watson, Treasurer, Orphanage	35 57	
To J M Hilliard, Treasurer, Orphanage	16 63	
To J H Mills, Supt., Orphanage	102 90	

TREASURER'S REPORT---Continued.

To J D Boushall, Treasurer, Orphanage	$ 3 74	$157 94
To Rev J C Sorrels, special collection		86 00
To overpayment White Oak church, For. missions, 1890		2 28
Total paid out		$1033 85

Note.—Mountain Creek $2, Rutherfordton $40 and Round Hill $1, for the Endowment fund. Total for these three churches, $43.00

We have examined vouchers of A. L. Grayson, Treasurer, and find receipts correct from persons, and for amounts, as given in this report.

J S CANADY,
W L LYNCH, } Committee
T C SMITH,

The necessary instructions for forwarding $2.35 from Shiloh church, in 1890, was not received in time for last year's report. The amount credited from White Oak church for Foreign Missions last year, was sent to Treasurer Baptist State Convention—$2.28. Of the amount credited to Bethel church for Foreign Missions, $7.55 was raised at Sunday school Association with that church. Five dollars paid by T C Smith for Orphanage (in shoes) is not included in this report.

There was also some amounts from churches, and from individuals, sent direct, and the amounts are not known to the Treasurer of this Association; hence not reported.

This report shows that all contributions have been forwarded without expense of any kind. The collections this year show an increase over that of any previous year, for which we should be thankful, and encouraged to press forward, trusting the Lord for greater progress in this line of christian work.

The Board of Missions and Sunday schools requests the churches to report in their letters to the Association the number of their members actually co-operating, by their contributions, in the mission work. It is also requested that every church elect or appoint, at time of electing delegates, one of their number to be a member of the Board of Missions and Sunday schools, and report his name in the letter to the Association.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. L. GRAYSON, Treasurer
Green River Baptist Association.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	*Superintendents and their Post-Offices, all of N. C.*	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Volumes in Library.	Papers taken.	Various obj'cs.	School Expenses.	Total.
Big Level	R L D Gilbert, Poplar Grove	5	40	45		12		$ 1 60	$1 60
Columbus	L L Tallent, Columbus	8	25	33	44			5 00	5 00
Cooper's Gap	H H Gibbs, Dimsdale	6	70	76		12		1 56	1 56
Green River	T G Page, Poor's Ford	7	50	57				11 30	11 30
Montf'rd's Cove	E C Harris, Otter Creek	6	61	67		30		1 95	1 95
Piney Knob	W L Bland, Cuba	6	40	46		26		2 80	2 80
Pleasant Grove	A F Morgan, Otter Creek	8	44	52		60		3 00	3 00
Pleasant Hill	Elder J M Taylor, Mack	5	21	26					
*Piedmont	Elder E L Taylor, Mack	8	104	112		55	$1 10	4 00	5 10
Rutherfordton	Dr W L Lynch, Rutherfordton	8	92	100		120	50 00	25 00	75 00
†Silver Creek	Eld E Jackson, Bright's Creek	7	30	37		30		2 00	2 00
Stone Mountain	J L Burgess, Stone Mountain	4	30	34					
White Oak	O T Barnard, Mill Spring	7	40	47	30	20		15 00	15 00
Bethel	E G Goforth, Nealsville	8	70	78	7			5 20	5 20
Bethlehem	William Silver, Old Fort	5	38	43					
Camp Creek	T G Johnson, Trio	6	56	62		38		5 75	5 75
Cane Creek	James Street, Patton's Home	5	25	30					
Catawba	M Q Harvey, Old Fort	3	20	23					
Harmony Grove	A P Sorrells, Bridgewater	1	11	12		12		1 00	1 00
Marion	B B Price, Marion	4	40	44		50	16 00	25 00	41 00
Mount Vernon	N J Rollins, Rutherfordton	19	128	147		100		10 00	10 00
Old Fort	B L Landis, Old Fort	10	80	90		5		25 00	25 00
Round Hill	L L Deck, Cuba	7	31	38		56		2 15	2 15
Turkey Cove	W A Buchanan, Armstrong	8	48	56				2 00	2 00
24 Schools.	Totals	161	1194	1355	81	626	67 10	$ 149 31	$216 41

* A branch of the Pleasant Hill school. † Elder E Jackson and J M Hamilton both superintend at Silver Creek.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

	CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary	Church Expenses.	Baptist Orphanage.	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions.	Other Objects	Building Expenses	Minutes	Total
1.	Beulah	$20 00			$ 1 00		$ 1 25		$ 2 95	$ 25	$ 25 45
2.	Big Level	40 00			1 27	50	5 00			1 20	48 07
3.	*Bill's Creek									(b)1 30	45 10
4.	Chimney Rock	10 00					2 00			60	12 60
5.	Columbus	50 00			2 00		3 25			2 00	57 25
6.	Cooper's Gap	24 30			5 00		10 00	(e) 1 00	50	1 10	41 90
7.	Green's Creek	33 00					8 18		154 50	90	196 58
8	Green River	36 15	$1 50		5 00	(a) 1 00	9 02			1 15	53 02
9.	Montford's Cove				4 78	4 78	19 13			1 90	30 59
10.	Piney Knob	40 00			3 80		5 00	(d)1 68		70	51 18
11.	Pleasant Grove	40 00			1 00		5 00	(c) 3 00	100 00	1 00	150 00
12.	Pleasant Hill			$6 45	7 50	7 50	15 00			1 70	38 15
13.	Rock Spring	34 25			4 00		5 00			65	43 85
14.	Rutherfordton	200 00	36 00	35 45	65 00	37 90	131 00	f 21 80	286 00	3 25	816 25
15.	Shiloh		25 00		40	1 50	1 65			80	30 55
16.	Silver Creek	70 00	13 75				4 21			1 15	89 11
17.	Stone Mountain	21 90					1 57			1 10	24 47
18.	White Oak	30 00			1 25			(c) 3 50		1 00	35 85
19.	Bethel	75 00			8 10		15 00	$ 7 25		95	106 35
20.	Bethlehem	50 00			5 00		5 00	6 00		60	66 95
21.	Bridgewater	100 00			10 00		5 00		17 00	1 25	132 60
22.	Camp Creek	60 00			4 00	1 60	4 23	8 95		60	80 03
23.	Cane Creek				2 00		2 00	(d)1 00		10	5 60
24.	Catawba	20 00			35		2 00				22 45

25. *Cherry Spring											15 50
26. Clear Creek	14 25			10 00		2 05				70	27 00
27. Dysartsville	40 00					15 00				80	55 80
28. *Hall Town											
29. Harmony Grove	30 90			1 01		6 00	$ 15 17			55	53 63
30. Macedonia	11 55				2 00	2 00	(d) 1 90			60	17 15
31. Marion	300 00	$12 00	3 25	8 75	3 10	8 75	(f) 5 00			1 00	341 85
32. Mountain Creek	90 00			8 15		25 55	(d) 2 00			1 80	127 50
33. Mount Vernon		58 40	50	15 00	10 01	20 00	7 05			2 05	113 01
34. Old Fort	100 00			5 00		5 00				75	110 75
35. Round Hill	55 85	7 03	4 25	6 50	1 75	7 30	7 00			1 50	92 28
36. Turkey Cove	12 00	5 00				3 00	(e) 2 00	1 10		50	22 50
37. Zion Hill	25 00					1 92				25	27 17
Totals	$1634 15	158 68	$49 90	$ 185 86	$ 70 64	$ 356 06	$ 93 40	$562 05		$ 36 75	$3208 09

* Not represented. (a) Paid by T C Page; 'b' paid by J W Thompson; 'c' for Sunday schools; 'd' Education; 'e' poor; 'f' $10 Poor $11.80 Education.

Estimates for Bill's Creek, Cherry Spring and Hall Town are for 1890.

Echoes From the Churches.

Big Level Have adopted Temperance resolution of last Association, and expect to carry it out. Spiritual condition of church good.

Chimney Rock. Our church has adopted the Temperance resolution of the last session of this Association.

Pleasant Grove The church is obeying the mandates of the Association in regard to Temperance.

Shiloh Has lead a gracious revival, lasting fifteen days, and resulting in twenty-four additions to the church by experience.

Stone Mountain. We are endeavoring to carry out the Temperance resolution passed at last session of this Association.

Bethlehem Had a gracious revival lasting elven days, resulting in sixteen conversions and eleven additions to the church.

Bridgewater. We have received one, awaiting baptism. In consequence of the continued affliction of our pastor, M M Landrum, we have had no regular services, but rejoice that, in the Providence of God, he is again able to be with us, and hope he will soon be able to resume his work. Brethren, pray for our little church.

Camp Creek. "The Union Meeting decided that the Association meet with our church in 1892. We hope you will confirm the decision, and pray God's blessing on us, that we may all be found in our proper places when the time comes." This request was not granted. See Old Fort.

Catawba. Has held a revival lasting from July 25th to August 11th. Several conversions reported and the church abundantly blessed. "Yet we are poor and weak and crave an interest in your prayers."

Macedonia. Elder B B Harris held a meeting with us of one week. Six professions and five baptisms was the result. Contributions at close of meeting $5.20. Brethren, we desire your prayers.

Marion. We have had very little preaching this year, owing to the failing health of our pastor, M M Landrum. The church gave him a vacation the first of May to go to Cleveland Springs, where he has been ever since; and, by the aid of Divine Providence, his health is improving.

Mountain Creek. We are building a new house, 40x60 feet.

Mount Vernon Sends a query which is given and answered in the proceedings of Saturday evening.

Old Fort. "The church requests the Association to meet with us next year." Request granted.

Turkey Creek Is carrying out the Temperance resolution of last Association.

CHURCHES ENTERTAINING THE ASSOCIATION.

Year.	CHURCHES.	Year.	CHURCHES.	Year.	CHURCHES.
1841	Montford's Cove.	1858	Mount Lebanon	1875	Bill's Creek
1842	Green's Creek	1859	Columbus	1876	Old Fort
1843	Head First Broad	1860	Cooper's Gap	1877	Floyd's Creek
1844	Mountain Creek.	1861	Bethel	1878	Green River
1845	Green River.	1862	Cool Spring	1879	Mountain Creek
1846	High Shoal.	1863	White Oak	1880	Mount Vernon.
1847	Bethel	1864	Dysartsville.	1881	White Oak
1848	Cooper's Gap.	1865	Mount Lebanon	1882	Dysartsville
1849	Big Spring.	1866	Cooper's Gap.	1883	Rutherfordton.
1850	Bill's Creek	1867	Montford's Cove	1884	Pleasant Hill
1851	Green Biver	1868	Shiloh	1885	Round Hill
1852	Mount Vernon.	1869	Rock Spring	1886	Cool Spring
1853	Round Hill	1870	Bethel	1887	Cooper's Gap
1854	Rock Spring	1871	Rutherfordton	1888	Shloh
1855	Head First Broad	1872	Silver Creek	1889	Head First Broad.
1856	Mountain Creek	1873	Round Hill	1890	Bethel.
1857	Green's Creek	1874	Cool Spring	1891	Rutherfordton.

ERRORS AND OMISSIONS.

Add to report on Temperance, page 12:

"We recommend that the church clerks state annually in their letters to this body what is being done by their respective churches on this question."

Page 13, on first line of names in Orphanage, collection reads "J. W. Bean" instead of "J. W. Blan." Same collection read, "total cash, $98.53."

In report on Periodicals, page 14, add:

"We furthermore recommend the 'Asheville Baptist' and the 'N. C. Baptist' as being good wholesome religious papers, calculated to help every one who reads them, and are worthy of the patronage of all our people."

Interchange "Saturday" and "Friday" on lines 7 and 9, page 16.

N. Scoggin, J. S. Canady and A. D. K. Wallace were appointed to suggest a plan for having a History of this Association written and published, and report to next session of this body.

The former Board of Missions and Sunday Schools were continued for the ensuing year.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS and POSTOFFICES	CLERKS and POSTOFFICES.	Sabbaths of Preaching	No. Baptized	No. Received by Letter.	No. Restored	No. Excluded	Dism'd by Let	Died	Males	Females	Total
Beulah	A F Jones, Swains, S C	J M Nodine, Mill Spring, N C	4	..	..	..	4	1	1	21	26	47
Big Level	J H Taylor, Poplar Grove, N C	O L Wilson, Mill Spring, N C	3	..	2	2	2	1	..	46	63	109
*Bill's Creek	B B Harris, Cuba, N C	J F Logan, Ayr, N C	1	14	3	2	4	2	..	46	119	168
Chimney Rock	Ric'd Hudgin, Bat Cave, N C.	W M Henderson, Ch'm R'ck N C	4	..	..	..	5	2	..	9	24	33
Columbus	O C Barton, Gowensville, S C	GrayB Hampton, Landr'm, S C	4	..	4	1	6	1	2	48	56	104
Cooper's Gap	J H Taylor, Poplar Grove, N C	James A Miller, Dimsdale, N C	4	..	4	..	6	13	3	86	168	254
Green's Creek	R G Tate, Sandy Spring, N C.	G R Feagans, Collinsville, N C	3	1	2	1	5	..	1	38	56	94
Green River	A T Jones, Swains, S C	J I Ridings, Poor's Ford, N C	2	1	5	..	4	..	1	50	90	140
Montford's Cove	C B Justice, Rutherfordton, N C	J W Morgan, Otter Creek, N C	3	..	..	..	2	9	1	47	121	168
Piney Knob	Z D Harrill, Ellenboro, N C	J B Elliott, Otter Creek, N C	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	28	59	87
Pleasant Grove	H D Harrill, Forest City, N C	A F Morgan, Otter Creek, N C	4	1	4	..	1	1	..	30	30	60
Pleasant Hill	C B Justice, Rutherfordton, N C	John Owens, Mack N C	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	..	..	100
Rock Spring	Z T Whiteside, Uree, N C	A S Whiteside, Uree, N C	2	8	7	..	2	2	..	29	57	86
Rutherfordton	C B Justice, Rutherfordton, N C	T C Smith, Rutherfordton, N C	2&4	5	5	2	8	7	2	..	..	174
Shiloh	J M Williams, Clover, N C	N Scoggin, Rutherfordton, N C	3	24	4	..	6	1	3	96	156	252
Silver Creek	W F Sorrels, New Prospect S C	W M Justice, Mill Spring, N C	3	2	1	..	..	..	..	44	79	123
Stone Mountain	J H Taylor, Poplar Grove, N C	C M Nanney, Stone Mout'n N C	2	..	..	..	2	5	1	28	59	87
White Oak	Z T Whiteside, Uree, N C	J R Foster, Mill Spring, N C	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	40	66	106
Bethel	H D Harrill, Forest City, N C	E G Goforth, Nealsville, N C	2	14	2	1	2	1	2	95	151	246
Bethlehem	J C Sorrels, Bridgewater, N C	N Souther, Old Fort, N C	1	9	7	..	3	2	..	28	59	87
Bridgewater	M M Landrum, Marion, N C	J C Price, Cuba, N C	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	7	9
Camp Creek	H D Harrill, Forest City, N C	B Biggerstaff, Trio, N C	3	8	2	..	4	6	..	35	75	110
Cane Creek	B W Tony, Sunshine, N C	D W A Cowan, Cliffdale, N C	4	..	2	..	2	..	..	17	30	47
Catawba	G W Settlemire, Old Fort, N C	M A Harvey, Old Fort, N C	1	4	..	2	2	1	1	13	21	34

*Cherry Spring	G A Bartlett, Black Mount'n NC	T L Bird, Old Fort, N C	2				1	2		13	19	32
Clear Creek	J C Sorrels, Bridgewater, N C	A Silver, Old Fort, N C	4	1	2	1	6	4		8	18	26
Dysartsville	Z T Whiteside, Uree, N C	W H Taylor, Dysartsville, N C	3	4	2	2	14	4	1	53	91	147
*Hall Town	J C Sorrels, Bridgewater, N C	George Lackey, Marion, N C	1		3					2	9	11
Harmony Grove	J A Rector, Table Rock, N C	A P Sorrells, Bridgewater, N C	4	4	1	1	2			32	58	70
Macedonia	A B Mashburn, Nealsville, N C	B E Watkins, Vein Mount'n N C	4	5		1	1	3	1	12	20	32
Marion	M M Landrum, Marion, N C	B B Price, Marion, N C	1&3		8			1		21	43	64
Mountain Creek	T Bright, Forest City, N C	J W Lewis, Darlington, N C	3		4	1	5	1	4	98	145	243
Mount Vernon	G W Rollins, Forest City, N C	Jos E Wilson, Myrtle, N C	4	6	3	2	10	3	2	101	143	244
Old Fort	M M Landrum, Marion, N C	M M Mashburn, Old Fort, N C	2		1		1			11	19	30
Round Hill	H D Harrill, Forest City, N C	W M Nanny, Pescud, N C	1	5	1		7			67	120	187
Turkey Cove	J C Sorrels, Bridgewater, N C	T P Quinn, Armstrong, N C	2		1			1	1	12	42	54
Zion Hill	G W Settlemire, Old Fort, N C	J A Pendergrass, Old Fort, N C	3	1					2	22	15	37
Totals				121	84	21	118	76	30			3899

* Bill's Creek, Cherry Spring and Hall Town not represented.

Statistics of 1890 are given.

ERRATA.

The printers of this Minute much regret that a few errors have crept into the work, and hereby state that such is not the fault of the Clerk but the printers. In justice to the Clerk, Mr. A. L. Rucker, we will say that no manuscript could be plainer or better prepared than was that for this year's Minute. PRINTERS.

SEE CORRECTIONS BELOW.

Page 11, subject: Obituary. It should read Elder "Abijah" Oliver Lynch. Same page, 14th line, reading from bottom upward, it should read, while "none" doubted his ability and piety. Same page, 13th line of obituary downward, the date should be "1868" where it appears 1862.

On page 12, in the 7th line of committee's report on Temperance, the word "entire" should be used instead of the word enliven.

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MINUTES

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McDowell County, North Carolina,

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"	*C B Justice*	*Rutherfordton, Rutherford county,* "
"	*W H Logan*	*Ayr, Rutherford county,* "
"	*A B Mashburn*	*Nealsville, McDowell csunty,* "
"	*J I Moffitt*	*Stone Mountain, McDowell county,* "
"	*M M Landrum,*	*Marion, McDowell county,* "
"	*J C Sorrels*	*Bsidgewater, McDowell county,* "
"	*G W Settlemire*	*Old Fort, McDowell county,* "
"	*E L Taylor*	*Rutherfordton, Rutherford county,* "
"	*J H Taylor*	*Dimsdale, Rutherford county,* "
"	*Z T Whiteside*	*Uree, Rutherford county,* "

LICENTIATES.

Eli Haynes	*Mills' Springs, Polk county, N. C.*
J M Taylor	*Rutherfordton, Rutherford county, N. C.*
W H Glover	*Rutherfordton, Rutherford county, N. C.*
M A Harvey	*Old Fort, McDowell county, N. C.*
A. J Hensley	*Marion, McDowell county, N. C.*

☞Next session will be held with the church at Mountain Creek, Rutherford County, six miles from Rutherfordton and one mile from Millwood on C. C. & C. R. R., beginning on Thursday before first Sunday in October, 1893.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.—Thursday, Sept. 29th, 1892.

The fifty-second annual session of the Green River Baptist Association convened with the Baptist church at Old Fort, McDowell county, N. C., at 11 A. M., today.

Hymn, "Toiling on." "Come thou fount," &c.

C B Justice read the 32d Psalm. Prayer by same.

Hymn, "Am I a soldier," &c.

The introductory sermon was preached from Ex. 14: 15, by C B Justice Among other things the preacher said: You you all know the circumstances attending the journeyings of the Israelites from Egypt to Canaan. If we are saved we must, like them, go forward. They, doubtless, thought God and Moses were making a mistake. The mountains were on the right and in front, the Red Sea on the left, and the enemy in the rear. When God commands, let us go forward without stopping to inquire why. It is right to pray, if we help to answer our prayers. We should pray as though everything depended on our prayers, and work as if everything depended on our works. The reason why God spoke only to Moses, was because Moses lived so near God. God will not help those who do not help themselves, nor will he help us do what we can do ourselves. He will help us do what we can not accomplish ourselves. I want to emphasize the fact that if we are truly God's people, we will make progress. We should go forward. An unsaved world is in front. We should go into Africa, China,—everywhere. Men are wanting to be sent. Let us send them and follow them with our prayers. More can be done with a proper effort in the next twelve months than has been accomplished for missions in the last fifty years. If we do not occupy the fields thrown open to us, we must be thrust aside, and God will put others more worthy in our places.

Prayer, T H Prichard leading.

Hymn, "He leadeth me."

After announcements by M M Landrum, adjourned to 1:30. Benediction by C B Justice.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 1:30 P. M.

M M Landrum read the 46th Psalm.

Prayer, C E Gower leading.

Brethren J W Lewis and R P Geer were selected as assistant, or reading clerks.

The roll of churches was then called, letters read, and messengers enrolled as follows:

FIRST DISTRICT:

1. BEULAH—Not represented.
2. BIG LEVRL—Elder J H Taylor, N T Mills, S J Cowart, T J Cowart.
3. BILL'S CREEK—W H Logan, * Wm Flinn, D C Brown, P C Shitle.
4. CHIMNEY ROCK—By Letter. [Meeting of body since.]
5. COLUMBUS—Not represented.
6. COOPER'S GAP—H K Corn, J K Gibbs.* W E Mills,* B C Laughter, J A Mills.
7. GREEN'S CREEK—J M Feagans,* Geo Green,* J E Smith.
8. GREEN RIVER—G C Collins,* T C Page, J H Blanton.*
9. MONTFORD'S COVE.. L D Hemphill, W G Harris, G M Harris, J B Wilkerson.
10. PINEY KNOB.. M L Haynes, J T Bland.
11. PLEASANT GROVE .. J T Lewis, D H Houser.
12. PLEASANT HILL .. John Sane,* N J Walker,* C C Lovelace and M D Hill.
13. ROCK SPRING .. Z T Whiteside, A S Whiteside, I M Frady.
14. RUTHERFORDTON .. C B Justice, H D Harrill, W L Lynch, A. D'K. Wallace, M McBrayer,* A L Grayson.
15. SHILOH .. W S Huntley,* N Scoggin,* A B Jones,* B M Hamrick,* D J Culbreth, J L Davis.
16. SILVER CREEK .. T M Ruppe,* A E Arledge, J A McCraw,* and Elbert Jackson.*
17. STONE MOUNTAIN .. Jas I Moffitt, A W Morgan, C B Vest.*
18. WHITE OAK .. H T Green,* A M Boone,* O I Nelson.*
19. WHITESIDE VALLEY .. John W Thompson, Jerry Shitle.

SECOND DISTRICT.

1. BETHEL .. J W Grayson, J J Davis, E G Goforth, Z V Morris, C B Morris, A B Mashburn.*
2. BETHLEHEM .. I A Reel, G R Morgan, N Souther.
3. BRIDGEWATER . P P Price, J C Price.*
4. CAMP CREEK .. Jno O Clements, I O Clements, Jas A Morehead.*
5. CANE CREEK .. Charley Smawley, James Walker.
6. CATAWBA . M A Harvey, A B Frady.
7. CLEAR CREEK .. A Siler, S C Rader.
8. CHERRY SPRING .. B Lankford,* J A Coxey, J M Gilbert.
9. DYSARTSVILLE .. J R Denton, J M Walker,* L G Price, J D Hogan, C M Davis.
10. HARMONY GROVE .. J C Sorrels, A E Rowe,* W W Sorrels.
11. HALL TOWN .. F A Hall, Willie Hall.
12. MACEDONIA .. [By Letter.]
13. MARION .. M M Landrum, Wm M Blanton, B B Price.
14. MOUNTAIN CREEK .. W A Geer, Z V Geer, J W Lewis, J F Edwards, C M Lewis, A L Rucker.
15. MT. VERNON .. R P Geer, E M Morgan, J C Egerton, Z B V Freeman, and Joseph Scoggin.
16. OLD FORT .. R H Moore and M G Pendergrass.
17. ROUND HILL .. L L Deck, R H Barnes, C O Sorrels, J P Nanney and L S Keeter.
18. TURKEY COVE .. R P Hollifield,* W A Buchanan.
19. ZION HILL .. F Ledford and J H Reel.

Two churches, Shiloh and Green River, ask for letters of dismission. Whiteside Valley, a newly constituted church, asks for admission into the Association. This was, on motion, referred to a committee consisting of C B Justice, H D Harrill and John R Denton.

Query from Dysartsville—

Who may organize a church, and of whom may it be constituted?

From Harmony Grove—

QUERY—Is the selling of grain or fruit direct to a distiller, aiding in the making of spirituous liquors?

Request.—Please form a presbytery, examine, and ordain A J Hensley to the ministry, if you think him worthy.

Mountain Creek and Big Level each ask for the next annual session of this Association.

On motion of C B Justice, M M Landrum was, after the suspension of the rules, re-elected Moderator by acclamation.

On motion of Wm M Blanton, the rules were suspended, and Adin L Rucker was re-elected Clerk by acclamation.

Order of Business agreed on as follows:

Meet at 9:30 A. M., and adjourn at 12:30 P. M. Meet at 2:30 P. M., and adjourn at pleasure. Meet at 7:30 P. M., and adjourn at pleasure.

The pastor and delegates of Old Fort and Marion churches were appointed a committee on Religious Exercises.

Recognized C Durham, Sec'y State Mission Board; J C Caddell, representing Biblical Recorder; J A Speight, Editor Asheville Baptist; J C C Danford, Prin. Fair View Collegiate Institute; A I Justice, of Western Baptist Convention; J N Morgan, a leading Baptist of Asheville; C E Gower, of the South Fork Association; B P Lowdermilk, of the Catawba Association, all of whom were invited to and accepted seats as visitors to this body. Also J W Davis of the Sandy Run Association, was recognized as a corresponding messenger from his Association.

Following committees announced by the Moderator:

Finance: A L Grayson, Wm M Blanton, and S J Cowart.

State of Religion: J C Sorrels, A S Whiteside and T C Page.

Sunday Schools: Z V Geer, W W Sorrels, E G Goforth, A D'K Wallace and J R Denton.

By a standing vote of the Association, it was decided by 39 to 27, to hold the next annual session of this body with the church at Mountain Creek, beginning on Thursday before first Sunday in October, 1893. M M Landrum was chosen to preach introductory sermon, J C Sorrels, alternate.

After announcements by C B Justice, remarks by T H Prichard, C Durham, J C Caddell and others, adjourned to 7:30 tonight, to engage in a praise service to be conducted by C E Gower. Benediction by C Durham.

NIGHT SERVICE.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

C E Gower read the 9th chapter of 2d Cor., and commented at length upon the 15th verse. Remarks were also made by A I Justice. Prayer was offered by C E Gower, A I Justice and J C Sorrels. The services were interspersed by most excellent music with Miss Lola Bland, of Mooresboro, as organist. The whole service was an intellectual and spiritual feast.

At the close of these services the Moderator announced various committees, as follows:

Foreign Missions: C B Justice, P P Price, William Flinn, H K Corn and G M Harris.

State missions: C Durham, J T Lewis, I M Frady, A E Arledge, and James I Moffitt.

Home missions: B B Price, G R Morgan, J O Clements, James Walker and M A Harvey.

Education: Z T Whiteside, E M Morgan, J P Nanney, W A Buchanan and J H Reel.

Temperance: R P Geer, J D Hogan, B Lankford, T A Hall, and J F Edwards.

Nominations to State and Southern Baptist conventions: G W Settlemire, A J Hensley, W A Geer, J C Edgerton, and C O Sorrels.

Orphanage: H D Harrill, W L Lynch, J T Bland, D H Houser and A W Morgan.

Deceased ministers: J H Taylor, A. D'K. Wallace, Z V Morris, I A Reel and L G Price.

The following brethren were recognized in their several relations and were tendered the courtesies of the Association:

J H Mills, of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage; J H West, of the Methodist church in charge of this circuit; J F Bland, a teacher of vocal and instrumental music, of the Sandy Run Association; and L M Putnam, of the Spartanburg Association.

The report of standing committee on History was handed in by A D'K Wallace, but was not read, as this was not a business session.

After remarks by A I Justice and C B Justice, it was agreed that tomorrow might be set apart for the consideration of Education.

Addresses will be made by J C C Dunford and others.

After singing, "All hail the power of Jesus name," adjourned to 9:30 tomorrow. Benediction by J A Speight.

Second Day.—Friday, Sept. 30th, 1892.

MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 9:30. Hymn—

"Jesus lover of my soul." The Moderator read the 116th Psalm.

Prayer was offered by J H West, of Old Fort Circuit. Hymn, "Every day," &c. The body was called to order by the Moderator.

Minutes of yesterday read and, after being amended so as to show no titles of distinction, approved. ☞ T H Pritchard, of the committee of Centennial of Missions of S B Convention, was officially recognized.

Committee on Periodicals announced as follows: J W Davis, J W Thompson, and C M Lewis.

The following was read by J R Denton and adopted:

Your committee upon investigation recommend that Whiteside Valley be received into this body.

C B JUSTICE,
J R DENTON,
H D HARRILL, } Com.

The right hand of fellowship was extended to the delegates of Whiteside Valley by the Moderator, and the church enrolled as No. 19 of Dist. 1.

The chairman C B Justice, of Centennial of missions as provided in 1891, introduced J A Speight, who spoke at length upon the "Life and Works of Wm Carey." ☞He was followed by T H Pritchard. Subject: "What may be accomplished this year." At the close of this address, $10.71 was contributed to Foreign missions.

The Thomasville Orphanage was made special order for 11 A. M., tomorrow. Adjourned to 1:30 P. M. Benediction by Z T Whiteside.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 1:30 and was called to order by the Moderator. C. Durham read the report on State Missions, as follows:

For more than one hundred years the Baptists of North Carolina have been engaged in State missions. In the wise prosecution of this work they have laid the foundation for their present large numbers, prosperous churches and institutions. Our fathers in this State during the past hun-

dred years have seen clearly, and realized fully, that their one great work was, first of all, to give the Gospel to our own people; and, as they have planned and toiled to this end, the Lord has given them great success within our own borders, and has opened the door and sent them and us forth to the regions beyond. During the one hundred years just past, State missions from year to year has been enlarged, and our people were never more interested in this work than at present.

There are now, through the appointment of the Board of Missions of our Convention, more than one hundred brethren preaching the Gospel in destitute sections. But, notwithstanding the great progress made by us as a denomination in the State, there are yet, according to the best information, ten entire counties in which there is located only one missionary Baptist preacher to each county, and eight counties in which there are located only two of our preachers to each county. These facts may indicate some idea of the work before us in this department. Then, too, there are many parts of counties and neighborhoods where Baptist churches ought to be established as rapidly as possible.

We therefore recommend:

(1.) That the pastors of our churches give to their congregations, at least once a year, something of the history, prospects, and needs of State Missions.

(2.) That every church in the Association, and each member of every church be asked to aid in this work by their prayers and contributions.

(3.) That this work be enlarged and wisely prosecuted until a Baptist church shall be established, and the gospel shall be preached in easy reach of every person in our beloved State. Respectfully submitted.

C DURHAM, Chairman Com.

Pending motion to adopt, C Durham spoke to the report.

The following are the pledges for State Missions:

Bulah	$ 1 00	Cooper's Gap	$ 2 00
Big Level	3 00	Cane Creek	1 00
Bill's Creek	2 50	Camp Creek	2 00
Bethel	10 00	Catawba	1 00
Bethlehem	5 00	Clear Creek	1 00
Bridgewater	1 00	Dysartsville	5 00
Chimney Rock	1 00	Green's Creek	2 00
Columbus, C B J	5 00	Harmony Grove	5 00
Marion	15 00	Round Hill	5 00
Macedonia	1 00	Rock Spring	4 00
Mountain Creek	25 00	Silver Creek	2 00
Mount Vernon	15 00	White Oak	1 00
Old Fort	10 00	Whiteside Valley	2 50
Pleasant Grove	2 00	Stone Mountain	1 00
Piney Knob	2 00	Montford's Cove	3 00
Pleasant Hill	12 00	Green River	3 00
Rutherfordton	110 00	A W Morgan	1 00
A P Hollifield	1 00	W A Buchanan	1 00
A J Hensley	2 00	Cash Collection	5 25

Total $270 25

C B Justice made a statement in reference to a debt against Old Fort church amounting to $75.00, which was paid by the brethren and others, as follows:

J H Mills	$ 1 00	N Souther	$ 1 00
C B Justice	5 00	C Durham	1 00
J A Speight	6 50	A D'K Wallace	2 00
D J Culbreth	50	A L Grayson	1 00
Z T Whiteside	1 00	P P Price	50
Jenny Shitle	50	J F Bland	1 00
T C Page	50	A S Whiteside	50
Miss Lila Budd	1 00	W L Lynch	50
A W Morgan	50	J W Thompson	50
W W Sorrels	25	R P Geer	25
A W Gilliam	50	Z V Geer	50
J C C Dunford	1 00	C M Lewis	50
H D Harrill	50	A L Rucker	75
J J Davis	25	M M Landrum	2 00
Bethel Church	5 00	Marion Church	5 00
C B Morris	25	Wm Silver	50
J H Bradley	5 00	J C L Bird	1 00
W Haynes	25	R H Moore	5 00
J L Morgan	5 00	Engineer Terrell	6 00
B F Landis	6 00	Mrs M M Landrum	1 00
W R Gwaltney	10	Sheriff Gardin	1 00
J F Bland	50	J C Sorrels	1 00
Lee Crawford	1 00	Cash collection	1 10

Total $75 70

A letter of dismission was granted Shiloh Church to join the Sandy Run Association. ☞ W F Sorrels of the Spartanburg and W Haynes of the Buncombe county associations, were recognized as corresponding messengers from their respective bodies.

After announcing that J F Bland would sing at 7, adjourned to 7:30 tonight.

NIGHT SESSION.

The Association met at 7:30. J C C Dunford led us in prayer. The Moderator called the body to order.

J N Stallings, President High Point Female College, was recognized and invited to accept the usual courtesies of the body. The special order, Education, was discussed by A I Justice, J C C Dunford, J N Stallings and J H Mills.

The associational letter from the Rutherfordton church, having been unavoidably delayed, was read by the clerk and filed.

On motion, it was agreed to open correspondence with the Buncombe county Association. The following messengers were appointed to attend the next annual meeting of that body at Fair View church, Tuesday after second Sunday in August, 1893: M M Landrum, C B Justice, H D Harrill, R H Moore, C C Sorrels and J H Taylor. Adjourned to 9.30 tomorrow.

Benediction by J R Denton.

THIRD DAY—Saturday, Oct. 1st, 1892.

MORNING SESSION.

After an informal meeting in which M M Landrum, W R Gwaltney, C Durham and W Haynes participated in the examination of Melvin H Hyder, respecting his call to the ministry, a report of which was forwarded to his church at Mountain Creek.

The Moderator called the Association to order at 9:30.

M M Landrum read 133d Psalm. Prayer was offered by W R Gwaltney. W R Gwaltney, agent Board of Education, Wake Forest College,

was recognized in his official capacity, who accepted courtesies extended.

The report on Finance was read by clerk as follows, and adopted.

The committee on Finance report as follows;

We recommend that the clerk be allowed $10.00 for his services, and that he expend the balance of the money for printing Minutes, and furnishing blank associational letters to the churches.

A L GRAYSON,
WM M BRANTON, } Com.
S J COWART,

A committee of three—C B Justice, T C Page and M G Pendergrass—was appointed to revise list of ministers in the bounds of this Association. Their report handed in later recommends: that the names of A Hunt, now of Sandy Run Association; J R Pendergrass removed, and of T B Justice deceased, be dropped from the roll; and that the name of A J Hensley be added to the list of licentiates. ☞ The corrected list will be found on first page of this Minute.

C B Justice read report of standing committee on Bill's Creek difficulty, which was adopted without discussion as follows: Your committee, C B Justice chairman, and Z T Whiteside secretary, met at Bill's Creek church, October 31st, 1891. We find that the trouble arose from an attempt to adopt the resolution of the last annual session of this body on the subject of temperance,—one faction wishing to substitute the Bible for the resolution, and another wishing to adopt the resolution. We regard the teaching of the Bible and the resolution as being synonymous, and therefore advise the church to carry out said principles. C B JUSTICE, Ch'm.

Z T WHITESIDE, J C PRICE,
A F MORGAN, ELBERT JACKSON, } Com.

C B Justice read, after remarks by himself and J R Denton, as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The mission work of Southern Baptists is committed to the Southern Baptist Convention. And by this convention the work is entrusted to two great Boards: To the Foreign Board located at Richmond, Va., is entrusted the mission work in Foreign fields. Foreign mission countries are divided into three classes: (1) Papal or Roman Catholic countries, the people of which know something of Christ, but who have been taught to worship the Virgin or Saints instead of the Savior; (2) Pagan countries, the people of which, though civilized, worship idols, such as the Chinese and Japanese; (3) Barbarous countries, where the people are uncivilized and worship idols. ITS FIELDS.—Our Foreign Mission Board is carrying on mission work in five countries —Europe, Asia, Africa, South America, and North America. 1. The Papal or Catholic countries in which the Foreign Board has missions is Italy in Europe, Brazil in South America, and Mexico in North America. In Papal Italy, where at Rome lives the Pope, the head of Roman Catholocism, we have Dr G B Taylor and Dr J H Eager and wife, and sixteen native assistants, and eighteen preaching stations. In Brazil we have fifteen missionaries and six native assistants, and seven mission stations. In Mexico we have twenty-four missionaries and ten assistants, and twelve mission stations. 2. The Pagan countries in which our Foreign Board has missions are [A] in China, where we have thirty-nine missionaries and twenty-nine assistants. This is our oldest and largest mission. [B] In Japan which is our youngest and smallest mission, we have only five missionaries. 3. The Barbarous country in which the Board sustains a mission is Yoruba, in Central Africa, near the Atlantic shore. In Africa we have thirteen missionaries and eight native assistants. There are fifty-eight church members.

PROGRESS OF A DECADE.—A comparison of the statistical reports of the Foreign Mission Board of 1882 and 1892 reveal a very encouraging progress in the work. Perhaps the best way to make the comparison more striking will be to average the figures in parallel columns. Of course,

in all such cases the figures are, at best, approximately correct:

	1882	1892
Fields	5	6
Missionaries [foreign]	25	99
Missionaries [native]	36	73
Churches		73
Members	740	2689
Baptisms	126	433
Stations	34	183
Contributed at home,	$49,041.02	$113,522.37
" on fields,	647.83	3,879.79

N. B.—The Home contributions are those of 1891.

For the above report your committee are indebted to the September Teacher, published by the S. S. Board of the S. B. Convention.

C B JUSTICE, P P PRICE, WM FLYNN, H K CORN, G M HARRIS. } Com.

Pending motion to adopt, C Durham and W R Gwaltney spoke to the report.

Pledges for Foreign Missions are as follows:

Big Level	$5 00	Pleasant Hill	$25 00
Bill's Creek	2 50	Rock Spring	5 00
Columbus, C B J	15 00	Rutherfordton	150 00
Cooper's Gap	3 00	Silver Creek	3 00
Green's Creek	3 00	Catawba	1 00
Green River, C B J	15 00	Whiteside Valley	3 00
Piney Knob	5 00	Bethel	25 00
Pleasant Grove	5 00	Bethlehem	5 00
Bridgewater	5 00	Mountain Creek	50 00
Marion	25 00	Harmony Grove	5 00
Dysartsville	10 00	Clear Creek	2 00
Camp Creek	2 00	Old Fort	15 00
Cane Creek	1 00	Turkey Cove	2 00
Stone Mountain	2 00	Montford's Cove	5 00
R H Barnes	1 00	J B Coxey	1 00

Total pledged, $351 50
Add cash collection yesterday, 10 71

Grand total $362 21

The report was adopted.

Song: "Watchman, what of the night?"

H D Harrill read report on Orphanage, as follows:

"The gleaming ray of charity, gleaming from the pages of history, made when we first began to furnish homes for our orphans, should be held up by our perpetual contributions to our Orphanage. We have 123 children in our Orphanage and nine expected to arrive soon. Will we feed and clothe them, or neglect them and cause them to suffer? When we think of the above it brings to our minds the truth of the Savior's expression when He said: "The poor ye have always with you, and, when ye will, ye may do them good." When will we do the Orphanage good? and to how many will we do this good next year? Respectfully submitted.

H D HARRILL, H D HOUSER, J H BLAND, A W MORGAN, W L LYNCH, } Com.

On motion to adopt, J H Mills and C B Justice spoke.

The following cash contributions were secured—all contributions of one dollar and upward being entitled to one year's subscription to "Charity and Children," a paper published weekly at Thomasville, N. C., by J H Mills in the interest of the orphans:

M M Landrum	$6 00	C B Justice	5 00
L A Gentry	5 00	A L Grayson	5 00
J C Sorrels	2 00	A D'K Wallace	2 00

With Z T Whiteside, J W Lewis, Mrs S S Denton, L M Putnam, Z V Geer, Z B V Freeman, T C Page. L S Keeter, J P Nanney, Miss Lela Budd, A L Rucker, C C Lovelace, Miss Lola H Bland, W F Sorrels, M E Foster, J D Callahan, R H Moore, one unkown, one dollar each.

Cash collection, $7.36. Total, pledges and cash, $51.36.

Report adopted. Adjourned to 2:30 P. M.

Benediction by C B. Justice.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 2:30, and was called to order by the Moderator.

Z T Whiteside read report on Education, and immediately retired to Presbyterian church to preach, by order of committee on Religious Exercises. ☞ The further discussion of the subject continued from last night was participated in by C B Justice and W R Gwaltney.

The report was adopted as follows:

We, your committee, submit the following report: Education means development. It also means training, disciplining and refining by culture The vigorous exercise of the mind strengthens and develops the intellectual faculties. A moral and religious texture should be interwoven in the whole process. Parents cannot afford to neglect the education of their children. It is almost absolutely necessary to their well being in society. The Church and the State will, in the next generation, need men and women whose intellectual acumen has been sharpened, and whose morals shall be pure and unquestioned. The liberties of the people must be preserved, the faith of the Gospel vindicated, and its truths promulgated.

Ignorance should be banished from among us. A statue of liberty and a love of patriotism should be erected in each of our hearts, while the sacred principles of truth and right should be inculcated and impressed upon the minds and hearts of the coming generation. All classes without regard to sex should be educated. Ministers, especially whose business is preaching and teaching, should have the highest possible culture. God doubtless has a use for all His ministers, but this does not disprove that many are educated for rather than in the ministry. ☞ We have many good schools in the State, but Wake Forest College stands pre-eminently above all others for the education of our boys. There are also several female schools and colleges which offer very superior advantages for our girls. Let us liberally patronize them. Respectfully submitted.

Z T WHITESIDE, E M MORGAN,
W A BUCHANAN, J H REEL, } Com.

The following amounts were pledged to assist in defraying expenses of John M Walker, of Pleasant Hill, at Wake Forest College:

Big Level	$2 00	Bethel	2 00
Cooper's Gap	1 00	Bethlehem	2 00
Green River	1 00	Bridgewater	1 00
Montford's Cove	2 00	Camp Creek	2 00
Piney Knob	2 00	Hormony Grove	2 00
Pleasant Grove	1 00	Marion	5 00
Pleasant Hill	10 00	Mountain Creek	5 00
Rutherfordton	20 00	Mt. Vernon, delegates	3 00
P H Shitle	25	Old Fort	3 00
Round Hill	3 00		

Total, $67 25

On motion, C B Justice was requested to raise in connection with the above, a sum not less than one hundred dollars during the coming year to assist brother Walker at Wake Forest College.

It was agreed that the collection on tomorrow be turned over to W R Gwaltney, to be applied by him to the discharge of a debt now due by Beneficiary Board of Education, Wake Forest College.

A L Grayson read condensed report following:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The following report up to September 30th, inclusive:

Rec'd for State missions, $245 10	Rec'd for S. S. missions, 11 50
Rec'd for For. missions, 378 39–135	Rec'd for Minist. Educat'n, 27 30
Rec'd for Home missions, 69 18	Rec'd for Bap. Orphanage, 17 54
Rec'd for Havana House, 150 00	

Total, $899 01.

After close of session a complete report will be made and submitted to auditing committee. Respectfully submitted.

A. L. GRAYSON, Treas,
Green River Association.

Oct. 1st, 1892.

The above was adopted, and A D'K Wallace and W L Lynch were appointed to audit itemized report, which appears at end of these proceedings.

The committee on Nominations reported through C O Sorrels as follows, and adopted.

Your committee on Nominations recommend the following:

To the State Baptist Convention, to meet with Second Baptist Church, Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 7th, 1892—M M Landrum, C B Justice, H Portrum, J C Sorrels, B B Price, Z T Whiteside, A L Grayson, R P Geer, J R Denton, J P Nanney and R H Moore.

To Southern Baptist Convention, to meet at Nashville, Tenn., Friday before second Sunday in May, 1893—H D Harrill, J C Sorrels, alternate.

Respectfully submitted. G W SETTLEMIRE, A J HENSLEY, J C EGERTON, W A GEER, C O SORRELS, } Com.

The following report read by W F Sorrels was adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We recommend the "Biblical Recorder," the organ of the Baptist State Convention; the "Foreign Mission Journal;" "Charity and Children," representing the Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C., as being the great educators of our denominational work, and we earnestly hope the day is not far distant when every Baptist family in this Association will take these and other religious journals of suitable character into their homes.

J W DAVIS,
C M LEWIS,
J W THOMPSON, } Com.

A L Rucker read report on Sunday Schools, which was adopted as here given: Your committee on Sunday Schools reports that twenty-five churches have Sunday Schools, aggregating one hundred and fifty-three teachers and twelve hundred and eight scholars. Eleven churches do not report schools. Only two churches report libraries, and only nine report contributions for expenses, &c. Only nine churches report quarterlies and papers. ☞ We regret that so many churches fail to report schools; also that so few report contributions and the use of Sunday school literature. We recommend that the pastors and churches see that there is a progressive school in each church, and that all use the literature of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, published at Nashville, Tenn.

Z V GEER,
E G GOFORTH,
W W SORRELS, } Com.

R P Geer read report on Temperance, which was adopted as follows:

COMMITTEE'S REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We are glad to learn from the letters sent up by the churches that so many of our churches are endeavoring to carry out the temperance resolution [of our Association at Bethel in 1890.] We are also glad that we have prohibition, which we believe is doing great good, in a part of the bounds of this Association. Brethren, as a denomination, we must fight this evil, which is doing more to degrade the morals of the youth of our land than anything else. We pray the good Lord to help us drive it out of the bounds of this Association and beyond the reach of our boys, believ

ing it to be the chief agent of the enemy of souls in our country.

Brethren, the Scriptural injunction is, "Taste not, handle not the unclean thing." Respectfully submitted.

R P GEER, J F EDWARDS,
F A HALL, J D HOGAN, } Com.

Query from Harmony Grove was answered by referring the church to a resolution of this Association at Bethel two years ago.

In answer to request from same church:

We think the question of ordaining a minister belongs exclusively to the several churches, and should not, under ordinary circumstances at least, be delegated to any other body.

From Dysartsville—

Query: Who may organize a [Baptist] church, and of whom may it be constituted?

Answer.—First, by a Presbytery, composed of regularly ordained Baptist ministers. *Second*, all persons regularly dismissed from other churches, baptized by authorized ministers of our faith: or those who in any other way are eligible to membership in churches already organized.

Home missions was made special order for 7:30 tonight.

Report on deceased ministers was read by R H Moore. After being so amended as to have the memorial of Elder T B Justice, dec'd, entered on the Minutes of this session, and appointing Z T Whiteside and H D Harrill to prepare same for publication, the report was adopted as follows:

DECEASED MINISTERS.

We, your committee, are pained to record the death of Elder T B Justice, one of our worthy and much esteemed ministers, within the past year. We therefore recommend that a select committee be appointed to prepare a suitable memorial to his memory, and that same be published in the Minutes of this body at this session.

J H TAYLOR, Z V MORRIS,
A D'K WALLACE, I A REEL, } Com.
L G PRICE.

Following is the Memorial:

IN MEMORIAM.

Elder Thomas Butler Justice was born in Henderson (then Buncombe) county, N. C., July 17, 1813. Professed conversion May, 1835, and baptized August following. He was licensed to preach August 1st, 1840, and ordained June 3d, 1842. He was a nephew of Elder Thomas Justice, who assisted in the organization of the Broad River Association. He was married to Miss Harriet Bailey of Henderson county, on the 14th day of Aug. 1834. She proved to be an agreeable and affectionate help-meet to him during the remainder of his life, and still survives him. To this union were born five sons and two daughters, all living except James D Justice, who died during the early part of the war.

On account of conflicting views, he severed his connection with the Green River Association and attached himself to the Union Association in 1849. A reconciliation having been effected he returned to the Green River in 1857. Soon afterward he was attached to the Broad River Association, returning again to the Green River in 1870. He was an advanced thinker upon the subject of Missions especially in his earlier years in the ministry. He justly has the credit of introducing the first Missionary resolution ever presented to the Green River Association in 1845, and the first contribution ever given to this object by Mountain Creek church in October of that year was during his pastorate. Another very important trait in his character was industry. Willing to work himself, he had very little use for the profligate and the idle. During his active life he was pastor of many of our churches, and was Moderator of the Green River Association at the session of 1871, 1874 and 1880.

"As a preacher he ranked among the ablest and most eloquent, his sermons were, at alll times, characterized by much affection and pathos,

while few excelled him as an expositor of the doctrines of the Gospel. He labored for many years under a nervous affection, which greatly affected his voice, until he became warmed up with the subject matter of the text, when his articulations was much improved. His sermons were always satisfactory to his hearers

"He resigned the pastorate of all his churches in 1883, on account of declining health, and moved from his pleasant home and farm in Polk county, to Rutherfordton, to spend the sunset of his life with his children. His increasing infirmities prevented his further engaging in the active work of the ministry, but his zeal for his Master's cause was not abated, as was evidenced by his liberal contributions to every good work.

"His faith was always strong in Christ, but more especially so as his sufferings were multiplied. Always patient in agony, he said he was only waiting for the summons for eternal joy and peace. Honest in his adherence to principle, he requested that, should he become unconscious, no stimulants should be given by his physician to prolong his life. He peacefully passed away on the 9th day of April, 1892, at the age of 78 years, eight months and 22 days. The funeral services were conducted by M M Landrum, after which he was interred in cemetery at Rutherfordton, to await the resurrection of the just.

"Living, he taught us how to live; and dying, he taught us how to die."

Z T WHITESIDE. }
H D HARRILL, } Com.

The following announcements were made for tomorrow:

9:45, Sunday School Mass Meeting, Baptist Church; 11:00, Sermon, W R Gwaltney, Baptist church; 11:00, Sermon, J N Stallings, Presbyterian church; 11:00, Sermon, W F Sorrels, Methodist church; 11:00, Sermon, A J Hensley, colored people.

Recognized W P Hemphill, of Catawba Association, who accepted usual courtesies.

Corresponding messengers announced as follows:

To Catawba Association, at Zion church, Burke county, on 6th October instant—C B Justice, M M Landrum. To King's Mountain Association, at....., Thursday before the 4th Sunday in Sept. 1893—H D Harrill. To Sandy Run Association, Floyd's Creek, Rutherford county, Thursday, October 6th instant—H D Harrill, A L Rucker.

Executive Board of Missions, after substituting the name of W L Lynch for that of N E Walker of last year, continued.

The name of C B Justice as appended to the Constitution of this body, is ordered to be dropped. Adjourned to 7:30.

Benediction by G W Settlemire.

NIGHT SESSION.

Association met at 7:30, and called to order by Moderator. Prayer was offered by H D Harrill.

Report of standing committee recurring, the Clerk read as follows:

To the Green River Association---Greeting:

Your committee appointed at your last annual session, to recommend a suitable plan for placing a good History of the Association in permanent form, would respectfully report:

We would advise that each church in the bounds of this Association select some one who will contribute all matters of interest connected with said church, its leading members, ministers, &c., sending such matter to a Historian, who will undertake to put in good and readable form a History of the Green River Association from the material so gathered.

We would recommend that the Association request all of its ministers, leading members, &c., to contribute whatever items of personal recollections, historical facts, or items of interest,—sending them to the Historian to be used by him in such way or form as may meet the ends desired.

Whether such Historian be a volunteer for the work, or selected and appointed by the Association, we leave to the good judgment of the Association. Respectfully submitted.

A D'K WALLACE, }
N SCOGGIN, } Com.

Rutherfordton, N. C., Sept. 19th, 1892.

Instead of formally adopting the foregoing report, it was agreed that the several churches composing this body be requested to send up the amounts that each will pay respectively for the publication of a History of this Association, in order that we may better determine whether such an undertaking is advisable.

The special order, Home Missions, being announced, C. B. Justice read as follows:

The Home Mission work of Southern Baptist Convention is managed and through the Board located at Atlanta, Ga., and is one of the important departments of work to be kept before our churches and associations. This work is divided into five distinct departments, viz: 1st. Mission work among the Indians; 2d, Mission work among the negroes; 3d, Mission work among the foreign population within the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention; 4th, Mission work among the native white people in the southwest and far west; and 5th, Mission work in the Island of Cuba. In this work the efforts of our people have been greatly blessed and prospered of the Lord in each of the departments named above. Your committee would most heartily recommend,

1st, That the pastors of all our churches give their congregations, at least once a year, something of the history, prospects, and needs of this work. 2d. That each church, and evary member of each church, be asked to aid this work by their prayers and contributions.

B. B. PRICE, GEO. R. MORGAN,
M. A. HARVEY, I. O. CLEMENTS, } Com.
JAMES WALKER,

Pending motion to adopt, C B Justice, J N Stallings and W R Gwaltney spoke to the report.

The following are the pledges to the Home Mission Board:

Rock Spring	$2 00	Rutherfordton	50 00
Bethel	5 00	Stone Mountain	1 00
Bridgewater	2 00	Bethlehem	2 00
Marion	5 00	Hormony Grove	4 00
Mount Vernon	10 00	Mountain Creek	5 00
Round Hill	2 00	Old Fort	3 00
Whiteside Valley	1 00	Silver Creek	2 00
Dysartsville	1 00	Pleasant Hill	5 00
Green River	2 00		

Total, $102 00

The report was adopted.

Pledges for Baptist Orphanage as follows:

Green River	$1 00	Bethel	8 00
Pleasant Hill	5 00	Bethlehem	5 00
Montford's Cove	5 00	Bridgewater	2 00
Rock Spring	1 00	Camp Creek	2 00
Rutherfordton	25 00	Dysartsville	1 00
Silver Creek	3 00	Harmony Grove	1 00
Marion	10 00	Mt. Vernon	5 00
Hall Town	3 00	Macedonia	1 00
Old Fort	5 00	Round Hill	2 00
Whiteside Valley	1 50		

Total, $86 50

Add cash collection this morning, - - 51 36

Grand total $137 86

The following was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF RELIGION.

We, your committee, have examined the church reports, and from the additions, contributions and exclusions especially, we conclude that the state of the churches is better than it was last year. Respectfully submit'd.

J. C. SORRELS,
A. S. WHITESIDE, } Com.
T. C. PAGE,

A motion was made that the Board in charge of superanuated ministers within the bounds of our State Convention.

After remarks by C B Justice, J N Stallings, H D Harrill and A L Rucker, it was decided that each church be requested to select one member to look especially after this object, and forward all contributions obtained to the Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention

The usual vote of thanks was given to citizens of Old Fort and surrounding country for their kindness and unbounded hospitality in entertaining the delegates and visitors to this session of the Association; to the Methodist and Presbyterian churches for the use of their houses of worship; to such railroads as have favored us in the reduction of rates; and to all from whom the smallest courtesies have in any way been received.

The Association then adjourned to meet at Mountain Creek, six miles N. W. of Rutherfordton, and one mile from Millwood, on the C., C. & C. R. R., on Thursday before first Sunday in October, in the year of our Lord 1893.

M. M. LANDRUM, Moderator.

ADIN L. RUCKER, Clerk,

Sunday's Services.

OCTOBER 2ND, 1892.

9:45.—S. S. Mass Meeting, Baptist Church, conducted by Dr. B. F. Landis, Superintendent of Schools.

Prayer was offered by H D Harrill, and addresses made by Miss Lila Budd and J. N. Stallings.

The service of song led by J F Bland, assisted by choir, and Miss Lola Bland, organist.

A collection of $2.55 was taken at close of service and sent to the orphans. At 11 A. M., the several pulpits of town were supplied as follows:

Baptist Church, Dedication sermon—W R Gwaltney. "Christ is all and in all." Col. 3:11.

Presbyterian Church—J N Stallings. "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." St. John, 12:32.

Methodist Church—W F Sorrels. "And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacheus, make haste, and come down, for today I must abide at thy house." St. Luke, 19:5.

Colored Church—A J Hensley. "And he that sat, was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone, and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald." Rev. 4:3.

At close of these services a collection of $8.44 was taken and applied to ministerial education.

The meeting was harmonious throughout, and in many respects an advance on any former session. The congregations in the aggregate on today are variously estimated from 1500 to 2000 people. CLERK.

Constitution of the Green River Baptist Association.

This Association shall be known as the Green River Baptist Association, and shall be composed of Baptist churches whose articles of faith and constitutions are in harmony with those of the Association.

Each church shall be allowed a representation of two delegates, in addition to their regular ordained ministers, and every church of over fifty members shall be allowed one additional delegate for every fifty additional members.

The primary objects of the Association shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College, to educate young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among the people of the State; to support the Gospel in the destitute portions of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the Gospel to the nations that have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel; to encourage the organization and support of Baptist Sunday schools, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in all its departments of labor.

This Association shall meet annually on Thursday before the first Sabbath in October.

The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Association, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

The Moderator shall preside or fill the chair, by calling some member of the body thereto, and enforce order in accordance with Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

The clerk shall record the proceedings, conduct the correspondence, and publish and distribute the Minutes.

The Treasurer shall receive all funds contributed by the churches or individuals to the objects of the Association, receipting the contributors for the same, and forward all contributions to their proper destination, and make a full report of all receipts and disbursements to the Association at its annual sessions, and on retiring from his office turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

There shall be appointed by the Association at each session a Board of Missions and Sunday schools, consisting of one member from each church belonging to the Association and several other brethren living in Rutherfordton or its immediate vicinity, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, which, during the intervals between the meetings of the Association, shall have charge of the various interests and objects fostered by the Association, and shall encourage the churches to give liberally thereto; and shall make a full report of its work, including such suggestions relative thereto as it may think advisable, to the Association at its annual sessions.

The President, or in case of his death or disqualification, any three members of the Board, may call a meeting thereof.

This Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives present voting in the affirmative.

Association Covenant.

ARTICLE 1. We believe in one only living and true Good, and that there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost—and these are one in substance, and equal in power and glory.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

4. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in, by his own free will and ability.

5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only through the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

6. We believe the saints shall persevere in grace, and that they never shall finally fall away.

7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects therof.

8. We believe immersion is the only spiritual mode of baptism.

9. We believe that no person has a right to administer the ordinances but such as are regularly called and qualified thereto.

10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment; that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting, and the joys of the righteous eternal.

11. We, the members of the Green River Baptist Association, agreeing to the above Articles of Faith, do, for and in behalf of the churches which we represent, covenant and agree, and give ourselves up to each other in church and Christian fellowship, in order to keep up the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace; and to assist each other in all matters of distress, and to pray for each other's prosperity.

Order of Business of the Green River Baptist Association.

1st, Fix time of meeting and adjourning.

2d, Call for messengers present without letters from their churches.

3d, Call for application for membership in this body.

4th, Appoint committees on Preaching and Finance.

5th, Recognize, in their official capacity, any present who may represent general denominational interests.

6th, Call for correspondents, renewing the call at the opening of each morning session.

8th, Appoint committees on State of Religion, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Sabbath schools, Temperance, Education, Orphanage, Deceased Ministers, Nominations in State and Southern Conventions, urging reports soon as possible.

9th, Miscellaneous business.

10th, Appoint a brother of the church to which he belongs, beginning with oldest church, to write a historical sketch of same

11th, Give an opportunity to present the claims of Foreign, Home and State Missions, and Orphanage, with any other general interest supported by this body.

12th, Fix time and place of next meeting, and appoint the introductory preacher and alternate; also the minister to preach the missionary sermon.

13th, Arrange general (or union) meetings.

14th, Appoint correspondents to other bodies.

15th, Call for reports of committees.

16th, Elect delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

17th, Elect Executive Board, provided for in Constitution.

18th, Arrange for printing, distributing Minutes and paying Clerk.

19th, Adjourn.

Echoes from the Churches.

BIG LEVEL.—We have enjoyed a revival of one week, during which time five were added to the church by experience and baptism. Spiritual condition good. We are trying to carry out the spirit of the Temperance Resolution of 1890. Request for Association not granted.

CHIMNEY ROCK.—We send letter without messengers, as it is inexpedient for any of us to attend. Pray for us.

GREEN'S CREEK.—We endorse the sentiments set forth by your committee in their report on Temperance, at your last annual meeting, and hope that the time may soon come when all professing Christians will abandon the use of intoxicating liquors.

GREEN RIVER.—"We request a letter of dismission, as we wish to join the Sandy Run Association." No action was taken on this request.

PLEASANT GROVE.—We have had a good revival meeting in our church, and are endeavoring to carry out the requirements of the Association in regard to Temperance.

ROCK SPRING.—We are endeavoring to carry out the spirit of the Temperance Resolution adopted by the Association two years ago. We have had a revival meeting, lasting eleven days and resulting in six additions to our membership.

SHILOH.—By her own request, was dismissed from this body to join the Sandy Run Association.

SILVER CREEK.—The pastor, assisted by Rev. A T. Jones, held a meeting of days, and, as a result of their labors, fourteen were added to the church by experience and baptism. The church appears to be in a better condition, spiritually, than it has for many years.

STONE MOUNTAIN.—We are carrying out the Temperance Resolution the best we can.

WHITESIDE VALLEY.—"This church was organized July 7th, 1892. We have adopted as our Articles of Faith the Associational Covenant of your body. We have also agreed to endeavor to carry out the Temperance Resolution passed by the Association two years ago at Bethel. We desire to become a member of your body. We have about lumber enough on the ground to build a church." The church was admitted into the body.

BETHLEHEM.—The church meets at 10:30 in the morning on Saturday and spends half an hour before preaching in talk and praise service.

BRIDGEWATER.—We had a very pleasant meeting of four days in August, when the Holy Spirit was with us. As a result, we expect additions soon. Brethren, pray for our little band.

CATAWBA.—We had a revival meeting lasting seven days and resulting in four accessions to our church. Pray for us.

CHERRY SRPINGS.—We have had during the past year only four sermons preached to us.

DYSARTSVILLE.—Had a meeting of seven days, and seven additions to their membership. They are re-seating their house, and trying to be loyal to the Temperance cause. The Query from this church is answered in the proceedings of Saturday.

HALL TOWN.—Church in thriving spiritual condition. Had a gracious revival in which there were twenty-two conversions. Fourteen were added to the church by experience and three by letter.

HARMONY GROVE.—"There is some division among us on the Temperance question." The Query and the Request of this church are answered in the proceedings of Saturday.

MACEDONIA.—We are endeavoring to carry out the Temperance Resolution. We have had, on account of the enfeebled health of our pastor, only a few sermons this year. We desire your progress.

MOUNTAIN CREEK.—We have just completed a new house of worship costing one thousand and forty-five dollars ($1045.) We request that the next annual session of your body be held with our church. The request was granted.

OLD FORT.—We are more than pleased to have you meet with us this year. We welcome you to our church, our hearts, and our homes, hoping your meeting may be a blessing to us; and we pray the blessing of God upon your labors. May the great Head of the Church guide you in all your deliberations.

TURKEY COVE.—We have had a revival meeting lasting seven days conducted by Bro. Albert J. Hensley, in which seven by experience and one by letter were added to the church.

The following is the resolution of 1890, to which frequent reference has been made above:

Resolved, That this Association will not fellowship any Church that will retain among its membership any person who will aid or abet by selling any products of the farm, or by Government store-keeping, or in any other way assist in the manufacture or sale of spirituous liquors. CLERK.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Havana House.	Ministerial Education.	S. S. Missions.	Baptist Orphanage	Total
Beulah	.....	$ 1 05	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	$ 1 05
Big Level	$ 3 00	4 95	$2 00	....	.....	.....	.....	9 95
Bills Creek	5 55	5 00	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	10 55
Bethel	8 90	12 35	1 75	$ 6 42	$4 00	$1 50	.....	34 92
Bethlehem	2 35	....	.....	6 10	.....	.....	.....	8 45
Bridgewater	10 00	7 00	.....	6 35	1 00	.....	.....	24 35
Chimney Rock	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Columbus	3 00	....	2 58	....	.....	.....	.....	5 58
Cooper's Gap	3 47	5 00	.....	....	1 00	.....	.....	9 47
Cane Creek	1 00	2 00	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Camp Creek	3 50	3 58	1 17	....	.....	.....	.....	8 25
Cherrys Spring	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Catawba	....	1 00	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Clear Creek	4 00	15	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	4 15
Dysartsville	....	1 35	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	1 35
Green's Creek	63	2 50	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	3 13
Green River	3 04	4 00	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	13 04
Hall Town	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harmony Grove	....	20 00	.....	10 45	.....	.....	.....	30 45
Montford's Cove	2 30	9 85	.....	4 65	.....	.....	.....	16 80
Marion	15 00	20 00	5 00	8 12	.....	.....	.....	48 12
Macedonia	1 00	1 00	1 00	....	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Mountain Creek	23 27	39 50	2 75	17 80	.....	.....	.....	83 32
Mount Vernon	15 00	20 55	.....	11 20	3 20	.....	.....	49 95
Old Fort	5 00	5 00	2 47	10 53	2 00	.....	2 55	27 55
Piney Knob	2 00	5 00	2 00	....	1 00	.....	1 11	11 11
Pleasant Grove	2 00	5 00	.....	1 10	.....	.....	.....	8 10
Pleasant Hill	10 49	18 55	.....	7 50	.....	.....	1 43	37 97
Round Hill	4 00	8 00	2 00	8 20	1 10	.....	.....	23 30
Rutherfordton	100 00	150 00	50 00	32 66	15 00	10 00	15 00	372 66
Rock Spring	4 00	5 03	.....	2 36	1 00	.....	....	12 39
Silver Creek	2 00	2 75	.....	6 26	.....	.....	....	11 01
Stone Mountain	....	3 00	51	....	.....	.....	....	3 51
Shiloh	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Turkey Cove	....	....	.....	1 40	.....	.....	....	1 40
White Oak	....	....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	....	2 50
Whiteside Valley	2 00	3 10	.....	....	.....	.....	....	5 10
Zion Hill	....	1 17	.....	40	.....	.....	....	1 57
Individuals	17 50	....	1 00	....	.....	.....	....	18 50
Collections at Old Fort	5 25	10 71	.....	....	9 05	.....	51 51	76 52
Grand total	259 25	378 14	74 23	150 00	38 35	11 50	71 60	983 07

The Auditing Committee finds that the Treasurer has duly paid out for objects named above, nine hundred and eighty-three dollars and seven cents (983.07,) and holds proper receipts for same.

W. L. LYNCH, } Auditing
A. D'K. WALLACE, } Com.

In above report $225 for Baptist Orphanage, credited to Old Fort church, was contributed by Old Fort Sunday school. Also Old Fort church sent to Orphanage $2.52 not in this report. Also some amounts sent direct from other churches (the exact amount of which I am unable to give) for different objects. Bro. A. W. Hogan contributed $2.25 of amounts from Bethel church. This report shows increased contributions from some churches. It also shows the amounts for Home Missions, Ministerial Education and Sunday School missions to be slightly larger than last year, while for Baptist Orphanage, the Poor (given by notes below,) State and Foreign missions, it is less.

Nearly all the money contributed for State Missions has been applied within the bounds of this Association, and the work of the missionaries has been very satisfactory and attended with success.

I have been requested to make some statement as to the financial management of the Board of Foreign Missions. From the minutes of the Southern Baptist Convention I find that the Board has considered it judicious to spend for home work, such as literature, minutes of the Convention, State Agencies, especially in Southwestern States, in developing and interesting the people in the work, nearly one-tenth of the collections. After making allowance for this, the actual expense of the Board is less than five per cent ; so that for every dollar received, there is applied ninety-five and five-sixth cents to the work in China, and other foreign fields. The Board certainly deserves our hearty confidence.

Let us post ourselves better and do more than ever the coming year, financially, for this work, and not forget to ask the guidance and blessing of the Lord, and let us improve the opportunities He has placed within our reach, for when once past they will never return to us.

The Board of Missions and Sunday schools again requests every church to elect a member of that Board at the time delegates are elected, said member to attend the annual meeting of the Board on Friday of the session of the Association. It is important to have members of this Board who will post themselves, and take an interest in the various objects for which we contribute, and help to keep them before the churches.

Respectfully submitted.

A. L. GRAYSON, Treasurer.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Minute Fund.	Building and Repairs.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Education.	Total.
*Beulah	$20 00		$	$ 2 95	$ 1 00	$ 1 50	$	$	$ 25 20
Big Level	29 05	$20 00	80		3 00	5 00	2 00		59 85
Bill's Creek	28 00		1 30		5 50	5 00			41 25
Chimney Rock									
*Columbus	50 00		2 00		2 00	3 25			57 25
Cooper's Gap			1 25		3 47	5 00		1 00	15 72
Green's Creek	25 00		65			3 12			28 77
Green River	64 85		55		3 04	4 00	6 00		78 44
Montf'd's Cove	60 00	8 16	1 30	45 00	2 60	9 85	4 45		134 36
Piney Knob	40 00	12 55	60		2 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	64 26
Pleasant Grove	40 00	7 50	1 05		2 00	5 00			59 80
Pleasant Hill	50 00		1 60		5 00	25 00	5 00	2 00	92 20
Rock Spring	32 00		55		4 00	5 00		1 00	42 55
(a)Rutherford'n	200 00	17 00	3 00	10 00	100 00	150 00	92 50	15 00	617 50
(b)Silver Creek	80 00	13 00	1 40	3 50	2 00	2 75	6 26		108 91
Stone Mount'n	26 70		85		2 20	3 00			32 75
(b)White Oak	54 50		40				2 50		57 40
Whiteside Val'y			80		2 00	3 10			5 90
Bethel	75 00		1 80		3 25	15 00	5 00		106 70
Bethlehem	50 00	1 60	90			6 10	5 04		63 64
Bridgewater	75 00	9 60	75	35 00	10 00	5 00		2 00	137 35
Camp Creek	60 00	5 50	80		3 50	3 58	92		74 30
Cane Creek			35		1 00	2 00			3 35
Catawba	9 95		25			1 00			11 20
Cherry Springs									
Clear Creek	10 00		50		4 00	15			14 65
Dysartsville		1 00	55	9 90		2 10			13 55
Hall Town	15 45	3 55	60						19 60
Harmony Grove	6 00		85			20 00	10 50		37 35
Macedonia	24 00		60		1 00	1 00	1 00		27 60
Marion	300 00	10 40	1 00		20 00	15 00	11 40		364 40
Mountain Creek	72 00	2 35	2 40	1045 00	25 00	50 00	5 00		1206 75
Mount Vernon	75 00	9 10	1 15	1 00	15 00	20 55	11 20	3 20	137 50
Old Fort	100 00	10 00	75	40 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	2 00	168 57
(c)Round Hill	65 00	16 95	1 55		4 00	2 00	16 20	1 10	116 85
Turkey Cove	5 00	10 50	1 00						16 50
Zion Hill	30 00		15			1 17			36 32
Total			34 05						4078 29

* Estimate of 1891, except minute fund for 1892. (a) Of above $32.50 for Havana House, and $10.00 for S. S. Missions. (b) Havana House. Shiloh, dismissed, sends 35c. Minute fund. (c) $8.20 for Havana House.

NOTE.—For the Poor the churches named contributed as follows: Bill's Creek $1.45, Cooper's Gap 5.00, Montford's Cove 3.00, Pleasant Grove 4.25, Pleasant Hill 3.60, Mountain Creek 5.00, Mt. Vernon 1.37, Round Hill 6.05.

For the Orphanage the churches named contributed as follows: Piney Knob $1.11, Rutherfordton 15.00, Bethel 6.65, Marion 7.60, Old Fort 2.82, and Round Hill 4.00.

STATISTICAL

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.
*Beulah	A T Jones, Swains, South Carolina
Big Level	J H Taylor, Poplar Grove, North Carolina
Bills Creek	Elbert Jackson, Turner, North Carolina
Chimney Rock	Richard Hudgin, Bat Cave, North Carolina
*Columbus	O C Barton, Gowansville, South Carolina
Cooper's Gap	J H Taylor, Poplar Grove, North Carolina
Green's Creek	R J Tate, Sandy Springs, North Carolina
Green River	A T Jones, Swains, South Carolina
Montford's Cove	J C Sorrells, Bridgewater, North Carolina
Piney Knob	Z D Harrill, Ellenboro, North Carolina
Pleasant Grove	Z T Whiteside, Uree, North Carolina
Pleasant Hill	C B Justice, Rutherfordton, North Carolina
Rock Spring	Z T Whiteside, Uree, North Carolina
Rutherfordton	C B Justice, Rutherfordron, North Carolina
Silver Creek	W F Sorrels, New Prospect, South Carolina
Stone Mountain	T H Taylor, Pleasant Grove, North Carolina
White Oak	W F Sorrels, New Prospect, South Carolina
Whiteside Valley	Z T Whiteside, Uree, North Carolina
Bethel	H D Harrill, Forest City, North Carolina
Bethlehem	J C Sorrels, Bridgewater, North Carolina
Bridgewater	M M Landrum, Marion, North Carolina
Camp Creek	H D Harrill, Forest City, North Carolina
Cane Creek	R W Toney, Sunshine, North Carolina
Catawba	G W Settlemire, Old Fort, North Carolina
Cherry Springs	J C Sorrels, Bridgewater, North Carolina
Clear Creek	J C Sorrels, Bridgewater, North Carolina
Dysartsville	Z T Whiteside, Uree, North Carolina
Hall Town	D P Loudermilk, Fonta Flora, North Carolina.
Harmony Grove	J A Rector, Table Rock, North Carolina
Macedonia	B B Harris, Cuba, North Carolina
Marion	M M Landrum, Marion, North Carolina
Mountain Creek	C B Justice, Rutherfordton, North Carolina
Mount Vernon	H D Harrill, Forest City, North Carolina
Old Fort	M M Landrum, Marion, North Carolina.
Round Hill	H D Harrill, Forest City, North Carolina
Turkey Cove	J C Sorrels, Bridgewater, North Carolina
Zion Hill	G W Settlemire, Old Fort, North Caralina
Grand total	

*Not represented—Estimate of 1891.

TABLE.

CLERKS and THEIR POST-OFFICES	Sabbaths of Preaching.....	Baptized.....	Rec by Letter.....	Restored.....	Dismissed by Letter.....	Excluded.....	Died.....	Males.....	Females.....	Total.....
J M Nodine, Mill Springs, N C.....	4	..	..	..	4	1	1	21	26	47
O L Wilson, Mill Springs, N C.....	3	5	7	1	1	2	..	48	69	117
J F Logan, Ayr, N C.....	1	12	..	2	24	3	5	30	90	120
W M Henderson, Chimney Rock, N C.	4	..	..	1	20	..	..	4	11	15
Gray B Hampton, Columbus, N C.....	4	..	4	1	6	1	2	48	56	104
J A Mills, Dimsdale, N C.....	4	..	..	1	14	9	6	93	150	243
P Wilkerson, Collinsville, N C.....	3	15	7	2	10	16	..	43	81	124
J I Ridings, Poor's Ford, N C.....	2	4	3	..	12	..	..	48	91	139
J W Morgan, Otter Creek, N C.....	3	27	3	1	8	2	2	50	134	184
J B Elliott, Cuba, N C.....	1	2	3	..	9	..	1	28	54	82
A F Morgan, Otter Creek, N C.....	4	3	9	..	6	1	1	30	38	68
John Owens, Mack, N C.....	1	12	25	..	6	..	..	57	63	120
A S Whiteside, Ayr, N C.....	2	6	1	1	9	2	3	25	58	83
T C Smith, Rutherfordton, N C.....	2&4	6	15	13	5	4	9	...	...	179
Wm M Justice, Mill Spring, N C.....	1	14	5	..	4	..	1	49	90	139
C M Nanney, Stone Mountain, N C...	1	..	..	1	3	5	2	26	54	80
J B Foster, Mill Spring, N C.....	1	..	1	..	11	1	..	34	61	95
W M Whiteside, Grassy Knob, N C....	....	..	8	..	....	..	1	12	18	30
E G Goforth, Nealsville, N C.....	2	29	2	3	11	3	7	100	155	255
N S Souther, Old Fort, N C.....	1	2	1	..	1	1	3	27	58	85
J C Price, Cuba, N C.....	2	1	..	..	....	..	..	2	9	11
T J Johnson, Trio, N C.....	3	3	..	1	3	..	3	34	77	111
D W A Cowan, Cliffdale, N C.....	4	..	..	1	3	..	1	15	28	43
W A M Gibson, Old Fort, N C.....	3	8	1	4	....	..	..	17	26	43
T L Bird, Old Fort, N C.....	1	..	..	..	....	..	1	12	19	31
A Silver, Old Fort, N C.....	4	..	..	..	3	..	..	6	18	24
J R Denton, Dysartsville, N C.....	3	8	1	..	3	1	1	52	98	150
F A Hall, Marion, N C.....	4	14	3	..	....	..	..	10	17	27
A P Sorrels, Bridgewater, N C.....	4	3	5	..	9	1	..	29	39	68
B A Watkins, Nealsville, N C.....	4	2	9	..	....	..	1	15	27	42
B B Price, Marion, N C.....	1&3	..	4	..	1	1	..	22	42	64
J W Lewis, Darlington, N C.....	3	..	10	1	13	..	4	107	127	234
J E Wilson, Myrtle, N C.....	4	5	4	..	11	5	4	97	145	242
W M Mashburn, Old Fort, N C.....	4	2	1	..	....	..	..	13	20	33
J D Morris, Cuba, N C.....	1	32	7	2	5	2	2	85	136	221
W A Buchanan, Armstrong, N C.....	2	..	1	1	9	2	..	9	32	41
J A Pendergrass, Old Fort, N C.....	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	14	22	36
.....	....	215	140	37	225	63	61	...	...	3730

SUN. SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUP'TS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Papers Taken.	Total.
Big Level	N T Mills, Poplar Grove	7	51	58	8	$ 1 98
Cooper's Gap	Wm E Mills, Dimsdale	8	75	83		1 50
Green River	T C Page, Poor's Ford	6	34	40	30	7 75
Montford's Cove	A Vess, Otter Creek	4	80	84	80	
Piney Knob	B B Harris, Cuba	6	50	56	46	1 25
Pleasant Hill	J M Taylor, Mack	8	35	43		
! Piedmont	E L Taylor, "	12	115	137		4 60
Rutherfordton	W L Lynch, Rutherfordton	7	130	137		
Silver Creek	J M Hamilton, Turner	6	45	51	24	
Stone Mountain	E L Burgess, Stone Moun'n	5	18	23		
White Oak	S J Cowart, Mills' Spring	7	72	79	20	3 25
Bethel	A B Mashburn, Nealsville.	6	30	36		5 40
Bethlehem	Wm Silver, Old Fort	7	75	82	40	4 36
Camp Creek	B Biggerstaff, Trio	6	62	68		
Cane Creek	J F Street, Cliffdale	5	25	30		
Clear Creek	S C Turner, Garden City	5	40	45		
Hall Town	M A Jarrett, Nebo	4	25	29	24	2 75
Harmony Grove	G M Walton, Rocky Pass.	5	60	65		
Marion	B B Price, Marion	5	40	45	55	18 00
Mountain Creek	Z V Geer, Darlington	6	60	66		
Mount Vernon	Z B V Freeman, Item	15	78	93		
Old Fort	B F Landis, Old Fort	11	60	71	100	26 53
Round Hill	L L Deck, Thermal City.	10	64	74		
Turkey Cove	R P Hollifield, Armstrong.	7	34	31		
Totals		168	1358	1526	427	$77 37

! This character denotes that 'Piedmont" is a branch of Pleasant Hill church.

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OF THE

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OF THE

Green River

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE

Church at Mountain Creek,

Rutherford County, North Carolina,

September 28, 29 and 30,

1893.

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☞Next session will be held with the Church at Big Level, Polk County, 7 miles W. S. W. of Rutherfordton, on the C. C. and C. C. & C. R. Roads, and 15 miles N. E. of Tryon, on S. & A. R R., beginning on Thursday before first Sunday in October, 1894.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.—*Thursday, September 28, 1893.*

The fifty-third annual session of the Green River Baptist Association convened with the Baptist Church at Mountain Creek at 11 a. m. to-day.

Hymn, "I Need Thee Every Hour."

Lesson: Fourth chapter of 2d Corinthians, and prayer by Moderator.

Elder M. M. Landrum announced as his introductory theme:

"The ends at which we aim, and the means of their accomplishment."

The speaker said he would depart from the usual custom by selecting no text

At the close of this able and logical discourse, Elder J C Sorrels led us in prayer

Hymn: "Am I a soldier of the cross." After announcements and singing "Praise God from whom all blessings Flow," adjourned one hour.

Benediction by Moderator.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Hymn: "Precious name."

Lesson: 1st John 3d, by Moderator.

Prayer: Elder C. Durham leading.

Bro. M. B. Justice and Eld Z T. Whiteside were requested by the Moderator to act as reading clerks.

The Churches composing the body were called, letters read and messengers enrolled as follows:

First District.

1. BEULAH—Joshua Pitman, A. L. Pitman.
2. BIG LEVEL—Eld. J. H. Taylor, B. T. Wilson, T. M. Ruppe, T. J. Cowart.*
3. BILL'S CREEK—Elder W. H. Logan.* Wm. Flynn, J. Jackson, P. C. Shitle.
4. CHIMNEY ROCK—C. G. Nanney, Wm. Henderson,* E. C. G. Nanney.
5. COLUMBUS—Not represented.
6. COOPER'S GAP.—W. E. Mills, T. N. Wilson, J. K. Gibbs, H. K. Corn,* J. L. Jackson.*
7. GREENE'S CREEK—J. M. Feagans, G. B. Brady, J. K. Smawley.
8. GREEN RIVER—T. C. Page, J. I. Redings, J. H. Blanton.*
9. MONTFORD'S COVE—L. M. Stott, L. D. Hemphill, W. G. Harris. G. W. Harris, W. P. Vest, J. W. Morgan.*
10. PINEY KNOB—M. L. Haynes J. T. Bland.
11. PLEASANT GROVE—R. Ledbetter, A. F. Morgan.
12. PLEASANT HILL—John Owens, C. C. Lovelace, M. D. Hill, N. L. Walker.*
13. ROCK SPRING—Eld. Z. T. Whiteside, J. H. Lattimore, H. M. Whiteside.
14. RUTHERFORDTON—Eld. C. B. Justice, Eld. H. D. Harrill, Eld. E. L. Taylor,* A. L. Grayson, M. H. Justice, J. H. Callahan, T. C. Smith.
15. SILVER CREEK—Eld. Elbert Jackson, J. R. Williams, I. S. Higgins, G. H. Arledge, Rufus Constant.
16. STONE MOUNTAIN—Represented by letter after adjournment of Association.
17. WHITE OAK—H. T. Green, O. I. Nelson, J. P. Arledge.
18. WHITESIDE VALLEY—Jerry Shittle, W. M. Whiteside.

Second District.

1. BETHEL—Elder J. C. Sorrels, Eld. A. B. Mashburn,* J. W. Grayson, R. P. Morris, A L Bright, E G Goforth,* Z V Morris,* J J Davis.*
2. BETHLEHEM—L A Gentry, N C Jones.
3. BRIDGEWATER—J C Price.
4. CAMP CREEK—B. Biggerstaff, James A. Clements, J. C. Guffy.
5. CANE CREEK—J F Street, James L Walker.
6. CATAWBA—W A M Gibson* M A Harvey.*
7. CLEAR CREEK—Not represented.
8. CHERRY SPRING—T L Bird.
9. DYARTSVILLE—Eld. J. R. Denton, W S Walker, L G Price, J D Taylor, L M Price.
10. HARMONY GROVE—W S Freeman, A P Sorrels.
11. HALL TOWN—J M Hall, Z V Mathis.
12. MACEDONIA—J Ward, Wm. M Dickson.
13. MARION—Eld M M Landrum, M B Peteet, Wm M Blanton.
14. MOUNTAIN CREEK—Wm M Greer, T F Edwards, George Flack, H Portrum, A L Rucker.
15 MOUNT VERNON—Eld C E Gower, E M Morgan, J Weldon

Hampton, J E Wilson, L T Rollins, Z B V Freeman, G E Erwin, M L Wilson.

16. OLD FORT—R H Moore, P C Harmon.
17. ROUND HILL—Amos Nanney, I P Sorrels, L L Deck, A H Nanney, J D Morris.
18. TURKEY COVE—Not represented.
19. ZION HILL—Not represented.

*Absent.

The association proceeded to ballot for Moderator—M H Justice, J C Price and Z T Whiteside, tellers—with the following result :

Eld M M Landrum,.... .....70.
Scattering,.. .....13.

The election of clerk, reported by J C Sorrels, N C Jones and T C Page, tellers :

A L Rucker,.....67
Scattering..... 6

W F. Sorrels and J W Lewis, tellers for Trensurer, report;

Albert L. Grayson,.....65.
Scattering..... 3

Elder C B Justice, pastor of Mountain Creek church, welcomed the body in well chosen and feeling language.

The Moderator announced committees as follows :

FINANCE—A L Grayson, O I Nelson, Wm M Blanton.

EDUCATION—W H Justice, E E Hilliard, Z T Whiteside.

On motion of J R Denton, the following order of business was agreed on :

Meet at 9:30 a m.
Adjourn at 12 m.
Meet at 1 p m.
Adjourn at will.

Under call for churches recently constituted, or dismissed from other associations, and wishing to join the Green River, none responded.

The pastor and deacons of Mountain Creek church were appointed the committee on religious exercises.

E E Hilliard, representing Wake Forest College, Rev C Durham, corresponding secretary, State Board of Missions and Sunday Schools ; and J C Caddell, representing the Biblical Recorder, were recognized and the usual courtesies extended.

Under call for corresponding Messengers the following brethren from their respective Associations were welcomed by tho Moderator:

Elders A C Irvin, and B M Bridges, of the King's Mountain : Elders T J Moss, J B Green, and Z D Harrill of the Sandy Run ;

Elder W F Sorrels of the Spartanburg.

Additional committees announced by the Moderator :

STATE MISSIONS—C Durham, J C Sorrels, T C Page; A F Morgan, P C Harmon.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—C E Gower, A P Sorrels, H Portrum, Elbert Jackson, T L Bird.

HOME MISSIONS—H D Harrill, J R Denton, M B Black, C G Nanney, Z B V Freeman.

On motion of C B Justice, the following was made special order of business for to-morrow :

9:30 a m—Periodicals.

10:30 a m—Education.

11:30 a m—State Missions.

1:30 p m—Foreign Missions.

2:30 p m—Home Missions.

The following compose the Committee on Periodicals: C B Justice, R H Moore, J C Caddell.

After announcements by C B Justice, adjourned to 9 a m to-morrow to spend half an hour in devotional exercises before regular meeting of Association at 9:30 a m.

BENEDICTION—E E Hilliard.

SECOND DAY--*Friday, September,* 29 1893.

MORNING SESSION.

After half an hour spent in devotional exercises, conducted by Eld Z D Harrill. the Moderator called the Association to order at 9:30 a m.

The Moderator read the 23d Psalm and Eld A C Irvin led us in prayer.

The proceedings of yesterday were read by the clerk and approved.

G T Bostic of the Sandy Run Association was recognized and welcomed.

The hour for special order—Periodicals—having arrived, J C Caddell read as follows :

REPORT —PERIODICALS.

We feel more and more, as the years go by, the necessity for our people to become informed about the different interests of our denominational work. Just as people become informed on the different phases of our work, just in that proportion will they become interested in and helpful to the cause.

We recommend that as many of our people as possible take the Biblical Recorder as the means of learning about the work in our own State. Charity and Children contains special information about our Orphanage, and is worthy of our hearty support. The Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field will give special information about our Home and Foreign Mission work.

(This report is not signed by the committee.)

Pending motion to adopt. J C Caddell, J R Denton and C B Justice spoke to the report. J H Mills, Editor Charity and Children, was recognized and made remarks.

The report was adopted.

M H Jastice read the following :

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your committee feel impressed that this is one of the most important subjects with which the Association will have to deal. In a general sense, it comprehends all the other objects for which, as an organization of Christians, we are laboring.

Enlightenment ; unto light ; out of darkness ; the acquisition of knowledge ; seeking wisdom ; training ; development ; mental, moral, and physical ; manhood—are some of the ideas suggested by this subject.

The man without development, training, education—is physically a dwarf, an invalid, having no strength, no force, paralyzed, worthless

A christian without training, development, a moral and religious education—is a weakling, a dwarf—having no influence, no strength —a paralyzed soul, without capacity for good.

An intellect, a mind without some training to think, without development, without education, without enlightenment, is simply a mind without strength, without force, without influence or capacity for good. This edueation may be to a greater or less degree, and in proportion to the degree of light is the power to reflect light.

As a false training of the physical man will not prove to be a blessing, so a false education of the mental will prove a curse to the race. Sullivan, Corbett, and Mitchell, have been physically trained and educated, and are teaching the world how brutish a man can be. A mind stored with false learning will reflect a false light, and teach the world how vain a fool a skeptic is.

The education that is commended is the enlightenment, training, and development of the moral and mental qualities, so that our children shall possess those qualities of mind and heart that shall do good to mankind, bring them nearer to God, and in closer sympathy with humanity.

Your committee heartily commend all institutions of true learning from the common schools up to the highest seat of learning, and urge upon the brethren and the people the duty and importance of giving their children the very best education that effort and sacrifice can secure for them.

As a denomination, the Baptists have by earnest effort, and at great sacrifice, built and equipped Wake Forest College, and now offers it with its superior advantages, and its history of Christian sacrifice and devotion, to every young man in the land who may go, at the least posssible cost, and drink at its fountain of knowledge. The efficiency of our College may be known by the men it has sent out. Its work is too widely known to require that we name any of the hundreds who have received their training within its walls, and are lights in all the walks of life.

What shall we say as to the facilities for the education of our daughters? Poor girls ! They have been and are being neglected ! The state, and all the religious denominations in the state, neglect them ! This ought not to be. We demand for them a fair showing. While we have good schools for girls, none of them are what they should be. Reform is needed at this point.

Respectfully submitted.

M. H. JUSTICE,
Z. T. WHITESIDE, } Com.

A motion was made to adopt. M H Justice, E E Hilliard, J R Denton, Z T Whiteside and C B Justice spoke, after which the report was adopted.

The Moderator announced the following committees :

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—A J Hensley, J P Arl edge, J T Bland, C C Lovelace, H M Whiteside.

PLACE OF NEXT ANNUAL MEETING AND INTRODUCTORY SERMON—J C Price, M L Haynes, J H Callahan, G H Arlige, N C Jones.

NOMINATIONS TO STATE AND SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTIONS—J H Taylor, B Biggerstaff, T F Edwards, J M Hall, Amos Nanney.

DECEASED MINISTERS—J R Denton, B T Wilson, W E Mills, L D Hemphill, W M Whiteside.

TEMPERANCE—H Portrum, J H Lattimore. H T Green, J W Grayson, J W Hampton, J D Morris.

ORPHANGE—J C Sorrels, L L Deck, W S Walker, J K Smawley, J S Higgins.

STATE OF RELIGION—M H Justice, A F Morgan, J I Ridings, W G Harris, R Ledbetter.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—C B Justice, Z D Harrill, A C Irvin. T J Moss, J B Green.

At 12 M. adjourned one hour.

Benediction—C E Gower.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 1 p. m. Hymn: "Amazing grace" &c. Body called to order by presiding officer.

The time having expired for consideration of next special order—State Missions—on motion of C B Justice. the subjects, as arranged yesterday, will be considered in the order in which they were named.

C Durham read report on

STATE MISSIONS.

Since the organization of our Baptist State Convention in 1830, the churches have, mainly the Board of Missions. been combining and directing their contributions and energies to give the gospel to all the destitute sections of this State. They have from time to time enlarged this work. In 1880, the churches gave for this department. $3,260.55, and last year they gave for the same work $14,270.95. This was a large gain for twelve years.

There are, this year, about one hundred Baptist preachers engaged by Executive Committees of Associations, and the Board of Missions to give the gospel to the destitute parts of the State. These are preaching to four hundred congregations in neighborhoods destitute of the Gospel as we believe it. These are located in all parts of the State from the Atlantic coast to beyoud the mountains in Ashe and Alleghany counties.

At the last session of the Baptist State Convention, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, That State Missions is a work of vital and transcendent impartance, and should be wisely and vigorously prosecuted by our board till a self-sustaining Baptist Church shall be established in easy reach of every person in North Carolina.

RESOLVED, 2D, That in order to carry out the above resolution as speedily as possible, every Association, church, aed individual member be urged to aid liberally in the work, by their prayers and

contributions ! !

Our fathers began this great work and planned wisely and well for its enlargement. It is ours to carry on, enlarge and complete this work.

In this Association, Elders J. C. Sorrees, and A J Hensley, as a part of this state mission work, are faithful and judicious servants, and the Lord has greatly blessed their toils during the past year.

We recommend :

1st. That the pastors give their congregations each year the fullest possible information about this department of our work.

COMMITTEE.

After remarks by C B Justice, A J Hensley, J C Sorrels, and C. Durham, the following pledges were secured for

STATE MISSIONS:

Beulah,	$ 1.00	Big Level	$ 1.00
Chimney Rock,	1.00	Green's Creek	1.00
Green River,	4.00	Montford's Cove,	3.00
Piney Knob	2.00	Pleasant Grove	2.00
Pleasant Hill	10.00	Rock Spring	2.50
Rutherfordton,	100.00	Silver Creek	3.00
White Oak,	2.00	Whiteside Valley,	2.00
Bethel	5.00	Bethlehem	3.00
Camp Creek,	2.00	Cane Creek,	2.00
Catawba,	2.00	Cherry Spring,	2.00
Hall Town,	1.00	Macedonia,	1.00
Marion	10.00	Mountain Creek,	25.00
Mount Vernon	15.00	Turkey Cove	1.50
		D'leg's from Harm'ny G've	2.00
Total			$ 206.00
Cash Collection			7.00
Grand Total			$213.00
To this add cash collection on Sunday			9.76
And we have			$222.76

The report was adopted.

C E Gower read as follows :

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS:

In the councils of eternity, our creator, God, began to lay plans for Foreign Mission work. In the fullness of time Heaven gave up its adorable Lord, and God the Father, gave his only Son, that fallen man might know the way of life. After the way of the Lord had been prepared, he called, qualified and sent forth twelve, and soon after seventy other NATIVE helpers as Home Missionaries. Some of these afterward became Foreign Missionaries, with Paul, Barnabas and others as co-laborers. These were sustained very much like the missionaries of the present day, Paul, explaining to the Corinthian Christians how he preached to them in the establishment of that church and of the gospel in Achaias. says: "I robbed other churches, taking wages of them, to do you service. And when I

was present with you, I was chargeable to no man: for that which was lacking to me the brethren which came from Macedonia supplied: and in all things I have kept myself from being burdensome unto you, and so I will keep myself." 2d Cor. xi; 8–9. The older churches in Macedonia supported Paul while preaching as a missionary in the regions of Achaia.

One the 19th of February 1812—a little over eighty-one years ago—Adoniram Judson, the first Foreign Missionary from America, sailed for a heathen land. Since then America has been growing in a thousand and one directions—some of these pointing to the right and others to the wrong direction; but how about our Foreign Mission work?

Less than three generations ago, all America had but one representation in all the Foreign fields; to-day North Carolina alone has twenty representatives of the Foreign Mission Board, besides the independent missionaries now working in what they term "The Gospel Mission." The Southern Baptist convention has ninety-two (92) native assistants. These laborers are working 185 native assistants. These laborers are working 185 stations and 75 churches. They have sixteen schools and 598 scholars. The church membership is 2,933—the baptisms for the last conventional year being 388. The contributions on the Foreign field from NATIVE churches were, during last year, $5,368.43—an average of one dollar and eighty-four cents (–1.84(per member. The total receipts of the Foreign Mission Board for same time were $155,927.23—an average of twelve cents per member in the Seuthern Baptist Conventiou for the conversion of the heathen.

In the name of God and the dying millions in darkness we ask, can't we do better? Can't we at least come up to the average?

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. GOWER,
A. P. SORRELS.
H. PORTRUM,
ELBERT JACKSON,
T. L. BIRD,
Committoe,

On motion to adopt the body was addressed by C E Gower, C. B Justice. J R Denton and C Hurham.

The following as an amendment to the report was offered by C B Justice and accepted by the committee;

RESOLVED, That this Association will co-operate with the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools in trying to raise four hundred dollars ($400.00) for this object during the ensuing ycar.

The amendment was adopted.

The report as amended was adopted.

Adjourned to 9:30 to-morrow.

Benediction by J. H. Taylor.

THIRD DAY—*Saturday, Sept. 30, 1893.*

MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 9:30 a. m. The Moderator read the 1st Psalm.

Prayer, led by B B Harris.

The body called to ørder, the Moderator being in the chair.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The roll of delegates was called and absentees marked.

The following committee, known as the EXECUTIVE BOARD OF MISSIONS (see report further on) was announced: BB Harris, M B Poteet, J W Grayson, J D Taylor, T C Page.

J R Denton read

REPORT ON DECEASED MINISTERS.

We are happy to report that God, in his goodness, has preserved the lives of all our ministers throughout the year. Let us render unto Him our profoundest gratitude for his kindness.

J. R. DENTON, Chairman.

The report was adopted.

A. L. Rucker, by request, read

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We report $28.25, sent up by the Churches, for minutes.

We recommend that the clerk be allowed ten dollars for his services, and that he expend the balance of the money for printing minutes, and furnishing blank associational letters to the Churches.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. GRAYSON,
THOS. M. BLANTON,
O. I. NELSON,
Committee.

A motion was made, by H. D. Harrill, to supplement the minute fund. After remarks, by himself, the clerk and C. B. Justice, the following additional amounts were obtained·

Rutherfordton,	$1 00	Green River,	60
White Oak,	50	Pleasant Grove,	50
Marion,	30	Old Fort,	25
Bridgewater,	25	Green's Creek,	25
Big Level,	25	Rock Spring,	25
Silver Creek,	25	Mt. Vernon,	25
Bethel,	25	Round Hill,	25
Piney Knob,	25	Cooper's Gap,	20
Harmony Grove,	10	Chimney Rock,	10
Bill's Creek,	08	M. J. Harrill,	05
Beulah,	10		
		Total,	$2 70
Total,	$3 33		3 33
Grand total of contributions,			$ 6 03
Reported by committee,			28 25
Grand total for minutes,			$34 28

The report was adopted.

Elder B. F. Toney, of the Sanday Run association, was recognized and welcomed.

H. D. Harrill read the following.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The work of the Home Mission Board is a great work. The reason why its work is so great is on account of its different departments, each department being great in itself. We cannot afford to keep our Churches ignorant of the work of this Board. Its work is divided:

(1) Among the foreign population within the bounds of our convention.

(2) Among the Indians.

(3) Among the negroes.

(4) Among our own people in the west—especially in Mexico.

(5) The work in the island of Cuba, which has been done mainly by nations under the direction of the Home Board.

In all these departments of work the Lord has greatly blessed the efforts of our people.

Therefore, your committee would recommend that all our Churches make an effort to increase the contributions to this work for the ensuing year to two hundred dollars.

H. D. HARRILL,
J. R. DENTON,
M. B. FLACK,
Z. B. V. FREEMAN,
C. G. NANNEY,
Committee.

After speeches by H. D. Harrill and C. B. Justice the report was adopted.

J. C. Sorrells read report on

THE ORPHANAGE.

Your committee recognize the fact that one of the main features that distinguish the Christian religion is a desire to visit the widow and the orphan in their afflictions. The sorrows and sufferings of the destitute orphans can better be alleviated by organized effort than in any other way.

The Thomasville Baptist orphanage is under the superintendency of Bro. J. H. Mills, who is probably the best qualified man in the State for the position. He has executive ability and a good heart; and we heartily commend the Thomasville orphanage to the association as one of the best means of alleviating suffering, developing Christian charity, and glorifying our blessed master.

J. C. SORRELS,
L. L. DECK,
W. S. WALKER,
J. K. SMAWLEY,
I. S. HIGGINS,
Committee.

After usual motion to adopt, J. C. Sorrels, J. H. Mills and C. B. Justice spoke.

The following cash contributions were obtained:

C. B. Justice, $5 00; T. C. Page, M. H. Justice, J. F. Flack, each, $2 00; Jos. M. Wilson, M. M. Landrum, H. Portrum, J. C. Sorrels, Z. V. Geer, M. B. Flack, Wm. M. Blanton, A. L. Grayson, L. A. Gentry, J. C. Price, A. L. Rucker, J. M. Toms, R. H. Moore, Mrs. J. C. Keeter, Miss Mattie Egerton, V. C. Hicks, W. E. Keeter, J. K. Smawley, Mrs. S. S. Denton, each, $1.00; J. H. Lattimore, W. E. Mills, J. F. Edwards, J. A. McCraw, Miss Sue Gibbs, G. W. Nanney, each, 50 cents; T. L. Wilson, J. R. Williams, H. T. Green, W. M. Nanney, each, 25 cents; J. M. Feagans, 5 cents; cash collection, $5 30; total, $39 35.

The report was adopted.

Adjourned to 1:30 p. m.

Benediction by Moderator.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met persuant to adjournment.

After prayer by Z. T. Whiteside, the Association was called to order by the Moderator.

The following is the report on SUNDAY SCHOOLS as read by A. J. Hensley.

Your committee on Sunday schools reports that twenty-one Churches in the Green River association have Sunday schools, aggregating 158 teachers and 1,568 scholars. Sixteen Churches do not report schools Only two Churches report libraries, ten report contributions for expenses etc . ten report quarterlies and papers.

We regret that so many Churches fail to report schools. We believe that it is the duty of every member of the Baptist Church to attend Sunday school, and to contribute of his means in carrying on this great work.

Furthermore, we recommend that the pastors and the Churches see that there is a progressive school in each church, and that all use the literature of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, published at Nashville, Tenn.

A. J. HENSLEY,
H. M. WHITESIDE,
J P. ARLEDGE,
C. C. LOVELACE,
J. T. BLAND,
Committee.

After remarks by C. B. Justice, L. L. Deck, I. P. Sorrels, A. J. Hensley, and C. E. Gower, the report was adopted.

C. B. Justice, after explaining absence of other members of committee—Z. D. Harrell was then preaching at the stand, and other members had gone home—read following report on

MINISTERIAL EDUCAUION.

By ministerial education is meant the education of young men, called of God. to the work of the gospel ministry. The nature of the work, and the development of the times, both demand that the man, who is sent forth to preach the great truths of Christianity, should be educated.

The apostles were all trained and educated under the eye of Christ himself, and, in addition to this, they had enjoyed some literary advantages, as is evident from their writings as we have them in the gospels and epistles written by them.

Our fathers, while many of them did not enjoy extensive literary advantages, were under the necessity of educating themselves in the ministry. This they did by years of hard study. How much better it would have been for them and the cause of Christ had they had larger opportunities in the schools, and thereby been enabled to give all their thoughts and study to God's word!

We have connected with Wake Forest College a board of education, charged with the responsible work of looking after and providing for the education of our young men called of God to the ministry, and endorsed by their Churches as being worthy of help. Under the patronage of this board, there have gone out into the Baptist ministry of N. C., from year to year, men who have been, and are to-day, prominent and influential, not only in N. C., but in numbers of other localities. This board can only do the work as the Churches furnish it with the necessary money.

Bro. John M. Walker is now at Wake Forest preparing himself

for the ministry, and promises to make a useful preacher. His remaining in college depends on the aid given him by the brethren and Churches of this association.

Your committee recommend that a sufficient amount be raised by this body to pay Brother Walker's board at Wake Forest college during this year.

C B. JUSTICE.
Chairman.

C. B. Justice spoke to the report, when the following sums were pledged to pay board bill of Bro. John M. Walker, named in the report, for ensuing year at Wake Forest college:

Bills Creek,	$ 2 00	Pleasant Grove,	$ 2 00
Green River,	5 00	Pleasant Hill,	5 00
Rock Spring,	2 00	Rutherfordton,	10 00
Silver Creek,	1 00	White Oak,	2 00
Whiteside Valley,	1 00	Bethel,	5 00
Bethlehem,	2 00	Marion,	5 00
Harmony Grove,	1 00	Mount Vernon,	5 00
Mountain Creek,	10 00	C. B. Justice,	20 00
A. J. Hensley,	1 00	John Owens,	1 00
W. C. Lovelace,	1 00	J. T. Wilson,	1 00
J. K. Gibbs,	1 50	B. B. Price, pd.,	1 00
J. H. Taylor,	1 00	C G. Nanney,	1 00
Cooper's Gap Delegates,	1 50	A. L. Rucker,	1 00
M. D. Hill,	1 00		
		Total,	$90 00

The report was adopted.

H. Portrum read the following:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee on temperance, beg leave to submit the following report:

While the churches have failed to report their temperance standing in their church letters to this body, upon inquiry among delegates and from the best information we can gather, we are happy to report the churches trying to carry out the temperance resolution passed by the Green River association at Bethel Church, in 1890; and that said resolution is still growing in favor among the churches.

Brethren, being the leading denomination, numerically, in the State, other denominations and the eyes of the world are looking to us to lead off in this grand and glorious work of trying to reform the youth of our land, and to lead them in the cause of temperance. This being the case, we should endeavor to let our light shine in this particular that others, seeing our good works, would be constrained to follow our example, and join us in the grand warfare to drive from our land and country this the greatest enemy of souls.

Respectfully submitted,
H. PORTRUM, Ch'man,
J. D. MORRIS,
J. W. GRAYSON,
J. H. LATTIMORE,
H. T. GREEN,
J. W. HAMPTON,
Committee.

The report was discussed by H. Portrum, J. C. Sorrels, Elbert Jackson, J. H. Taylor, C. E. Gower and I. P. Sorrels and adopted.

The treasurer, A. L. Grayson, read report of receipts, which was adopted as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT,

The treasurer reports:
Received to date—

For state missions,	$117 96
" foreign missions,	145 97
" home missions,	50 68
" ministerial education,	50 45
" Sunday school missions,	10 00
" orphanage,	60 63
" aged ministers,	4 95
" centennial of missions,	57 43
Total,	$503 07

A complete report will be made and submitted to the auditing committee after close of this session.

Respectfully submitted,
A. L. GRAYSON,
Treasurer.

The above report was approved and M. H. Justice and T. C. Smith were appointed to audit the treasurer's itemized report, which will be found at close of these proceedings.

The report of committee on place of next meeting, and introductory sermon reported through J. C. Price as follows:

We, the undersigned committee, after carefully considering all the applications for the next annual session of this association, recommend that it meet with Silver Creek Church; and that Rev. J. C. Sorrels preach the introductory sermon, Rev. C. E. Gower, alternate.

J. C. PRICE,
N. C. JONES,
J. H. CALLAHAN.
M. L. HAYNES,
G. H. ARLEDGE,
Committee.

J. C. Sorrels, L. A. Gentry, B. T. Wilson, M. K. Justice, A. L. Rucker and J. H. Taylor made remarks:

A motion to strike out "Silver Creek" and substitute "Green River" was lost.

A motion to strike out "Silver Creek and substitute "Big Level" was on division sustained by a vote of 34 to 28.

The report as amended was adopted.

A motion to consider the vote by which the above report was adopted was sustained.

A motion to strike out the names of "J. C. Sorrels" and "C. E. Gower" in the order of names, and that the names of "C. E. Gower" and "J. R. Denton" be substituted therefore, in the order named, was adopted.

The report, as again amended, was adopted.

These several amendments fix Big Level as the place, and appoint C. E. Gower to preach introductory sermon, with J. R. Denton, alternate.

J. H. Taylor read report on

NOMINATIONS.

Your committee on nominations recommend as delegates:

To Baptist State Convention, which meets in Elizabeth City, December 1893.

C. B. Justice, H. D. Harrill. B. B. Harris, J. R. Denton, Elbert Jackson, M. M. Landrum, J. C. Sorrels, Z. T. Whiteside, C. E. Gower, A. L. Grayson, H. Portrum, A. L. Rucker, S. J. Cowart, Gray B. Hampton, T. C. Page, R. Ledbetter, O. I. Nelson, E. G. Goforth, B. B. Price and R. H. Moore.

To the Southern Baptist Convention, which meets in Dallas, Texas, May 11, 1894—C. B. Justice, C. E. Gower, alternate.

J. H. TAYLOR,
T. F. EDWARDS,
J. M. HALL,
B BIGGERSTAFF,
AMOS NANNEY,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

The delegates of Hall Town pledge that church $3.00 for Baptist orphanage.

The following is the report of executive committee of missions:

We respectfully recommend the following as the board of missions and Sunday schools—postoffices all in N. C.

CHURCHES.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICES.
Beulah,	Joshua Pitman,	Mills' Spring.
Big Level,	S. J. Cowart,	Poplar Grove.
Bill's Creek,	J F. Logan,	Ayr.
Chimney Rock,	W. M. Henderson,	Chimney Rock.
Cooper's Gap,	H. K. Corn,	Dimsdale.
Columbus,	Gray B. Hampton,	Landrum.
Green's Creek,	J. J. Green,	Collinsville.
Green River,	T. C. Page,	Poor's Ford.
Montford's Cove,	L. D Hemphill,	Otter Creek.
Piney Knob,	J. F. Bland,	Cuba.
Pleasant Grove,	R. Ledbetter,	Ayr.
Pleasant Hill,	M. D. Hill,	Rutherfordton.
Rock Spring.	H. M. Whiteside,	Poplar Grove.
Rutherfordton,	C. B. Justice,	Rutherfordton.
"	A. L. Grayson,	"
"	W. L. Lynch,	"
"	T. C, Smith,	"
"	H. D. Harrill,	"
"	W. H. Glover,	"
"	J. M Toms,	"
Silver Creek,	J. S. McCraw,	Mills' Spring
White Oak,	O. I. Nelson,	" "
Whiteside Valley,	John Thompson,	Grassy Knob.
Bethel,	Z. V. Morris,	Nealsville.
Bethlehem,	A. W. Gilliam,	Old Fort.
Bridgewater,	J. C. Price,	Cuba.
Camp Creek,	B. Biggerstaff,	Trio.
Catawba,	M. A. Harvey,	Old Fort.
Cane Creek,	D W. A. Cowan.	Cliffdale.

THE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS—Continued.

CHURCHES.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICES.
Clear Creek,	C. P. Rader,	Greenlees.
Cherry Spring,	W. J Gilbert,	Old Fort.
Dysartsville,	W. H. Taylor,	Dysartsville.
Harmony Grove,	W. S. Freeman,	Rocky Pass.
Hall Town,	Jonathan Hall,	Marion.
Macedonia,	J. M. Watkins,	Dysartsville.
Marion,	Wm M. Blanton,	Marion.
Mountain Creek,	M. B. Flack,	Cuba.
Mount Vernon,	N. J. Rollins,	Rutherfordton.
Old Fort,	R. H. Moore,	Old Fort.
Round Hill,	L. L. Deck,	Thermal City
Zion Hill,	F. Ledford,	Marion
Turkey Cove,	R. A. Hallifield,	Turkey Cove.

Respectfully submitted,

B. B. HARRIS, Chm.
M B. POTEAT,
J. W. GRAYSON,
J. D TAYLOR,
T. C. PAGE,
Committee.

The above report was read by the clerk, and adopted.

The following report on the State of Religion, was read by M. H. Justice, and adopted.

STATE OF RELIGION.

From the reports of the churches contained in the letters, we are impressed that progress is being made. Revivals of religion have occurred in a number of the churches.

The contributions to the objects of the denomination are not as large as we should like to see, but progress is being made in that direction—especially, when we consider the stringency of money.

There is one fact that is very encouraging—The brethren are at peace with each other, and much of that brotherly spirit pervades the churches, that should characterize the followers of the Prince of Peace.

We earnestly recommend a warm universal service in the worship of song in the churches.

M. H. JUSTICE, CH'M.
R. LEDBETTER,
For Committee.

The Moderator appointed the following as corresponding messengers to the Association named:

SANDY RUN, which meets at Sandy Run church on next Thursday, October 5th, 1893,—J. C. Sorrels and H. D. Harrill.

CATAWBA RIVER, which meets with the church at St. John's next Thursday, October 5th, 1893,—C. E. Gower, C. B. Justice and A. J. Hensley.

KING'S MOUNTAIN, which meets at Shelby, Thursday before 4th Sunday in September, 1894,—M. M. Landrum, H. D. Harrill, C. B.

Justice, A J. Hensley, C. E. Gower, J. R. Denton and J. D. Taylor.

Buncombe County, which meets with the church at ——— in August, 1894.

On motion of J. H. Taylor, the usual vote of thanks was adopted.

After prayer by C. E. Gower, and announcements for to-morrow, the Association adjourned to meet with the church at Big Level, on Thursday before first Lord's day in October, in the year of our Lord 1894.

M. M. LANDRUM, Moderator.

ADIN L. RUCKER, Clerk.

SUNDAY'S SERVICES.

October 1st, 1894.

At 11 A. M., H. D. Harrill preached in the church from Mat. 13:30, "Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers. Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn."

At same hour, A. J. Hensley preached at the stand, from Rom. 1:20: "For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his Eternal Power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse."

At close of these services a collection of $9.76 was taken and applied to State Missions.

At 1:30 P. M., M. M. Landrum preached in the house, from Gal. 4:6: "Because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the spirit of his son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father."

At same hour, J. C. Sorrels preached at stand, from Acts 5:38-39: "And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men and let them alone; for if this counsel or this work be of men it will come to nought: But if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against God."

The exercises, throughout the session, were pleasant and instructive. The hospitality of the people was exemplified everywhere. Visitors were made welcome, ample provision having been made for all.

The crowd to-day was variously estimated at from two to four thousand.

Clerk.

We have examined this Record, as given for Saturday and Sunday, and approve the same.

C. B. Justice,
A. L. Grayson,
H. Portrum,
Committee.

CONSTITUTION OF THE GREEN RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

This Association shall be known as the Green River Baptist Association, and shall be composed of Baptist Churches whose articles of faith and constitutions are in harmony with those of the Association.

Each church shall be allowed a representation of two delegates, in addition to their regular ordained ministers, and every church of over fifty members shall be allowed one additional delegate for every fifty additional members.

The primary objects of the Association shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College, to educate young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among the people of the State; to support the Gospel in the destitute portions of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the Gospel to the nations that have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel; to encourage the organization and support of Baptist Sunday schools, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in all its departments of labor.

This Association shall meet annually on Thursday before the first Sabbath in October.

The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Association, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

The Moderator shall preside or fill the chair, by calling some member of the body thereto, and enforce order in accordance with Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

The clerk shall record the proceedings, conduct the correspondence, and publish and distribute Minutes.

The Treasurer shall receive all funds contributed by the churches or individauls to the objects of the Association, receipting the contributors for the same, and forward all contributions to their proper destination, and make a full report of all receipts and disbursements to the Association at its annual sessions, and on retiring from his office turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

There shall be appointed by the Association at each session a Board of Missions and Sunday schools, consisting of one member from each church belonging to the Association and several other brethren living in Rutherfordton or its immediate vicinity, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, which, during the intervals between the meetings of the Association, shall have charge of the various interests and objects fostered by the Association, and shall encourage the churches to give liberally thereto; and shall make a full report of its work, including such suggestions relative therto as it may think advisable, to the Association at its annual sessions.

The President, or in case of his death or disqualification, any three members of the Board, may call a meeting thereof.

This Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives present voting in the affirmative.

ASSOCIATION COVENANT.

ARTICLE 1 We believe in one only living and true God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost—and these are one in substance, and equal in power and glory

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe it the doctrine of original sin.

4. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in, by his own free will and ability.

5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only through the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

6. We believe the saints shall persevere in grace, and that they never shall finally fall away.

7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects thereof.

8. We believe immersion is the only spiritual mode of baptism.

9. We believe that no person has a right to administer the ordinances but such as are regularly called and qualified thereto.

10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment; that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting, and joys of the righteous eternal.

11. We, the members of the Green River Baptist Association, agreeing to the above Articles of Faith, do, for and in behalf of the churches which we represent, covenant and agree, and give ourselves up to each other in church and Christian fellowship, in order to keep up the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace, and to assist each other in all matters of distress, and to pray for each other's prosperity.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Fix time of meeting and adjourning.
2. Call for messengers present without letters from their churches.
3. Call for application for membership in this body.
4. Appoint committees on Preaching and Finance.
5. Recognize, in their official capacity, any present who may represent general denominational interests.
6. Call for correnspondents, renewing the call at the opening of each morning session.
8. Appoint committees on State of Religion, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Sabbath schools, Themperance, Education, Orphanage, Deceased Ministers, Nominations in State and Southern Conventions, urging reports soon as possible.
9. Miscellaneous business.
10. Appoint a brother of the church to which he belongs, beginning with oldest church, to write a historical sketch of same.
11. Give an opportunity to present the claims of Foreign, Home and State Missions, and Orphanage, with any other general interest supported by this body.
12. Fix time and place of next meeting, and appoint the introductory preacher and alternate; also the minister to preach the missionary sermon.
13. Arrange general (or union) meeting.
14. Appoint correspondents to other bodies.
15. Call for reports of committees.

16 Elect delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions.
17. Elect Executive Board, provided for in Constitution.
18. Arrange for printing, distributing Minutes and paying Clerk.
19. Adjourn.

ECHOES FROM THE CHURCHES.

BEULAH.—The spiritual condition of this church is very good. No revivals. Two additions to membership. They say, "We hope the brethren will pray for our little church."

BIG LEVEL.—"We are endeavoring to carry out the temperance resolution." They also ask for next meeting of Association, and get it.

BILL'S CREEK.—No remarks.

CHIMNEY ROCK.—No remrrks.

COOPER'S GAP.—Reports a branch Sunday school, H. K. Corn, Superintendent, with six teachers and 58 scholars.

GREEN'S CREEK.—Reports a "Joint" Sunday school at Collensville with A. L. Lanford. Superintendent, and four teachers in addito the school at the church.

GREEN RIVER.—"Dear Brethren, we request you to hold the next Association with us." Not granted.

MONTFORD'S COVE.—No remarks.

PINEY KNOB.—No remarks.

PLEASANT GROVE.—Reports a branch Sunday school at Green Hill, N. C. Lovelace, Superintendent, with about 90 scholars.

PLEASANT HILL.—The Sunday school formerly reported as a branch of this church was omitted. The school is located at Piedmont, and numbers over one hundred officers, teachers and scholars. A. L. Rucker is Superintendent.

ROCK SPING.—No remarks.

SILVER CREEK.—No remarks.

RUTHERFORDTON.—Recommends re-appointment of former Board of Missions for that church, which was done. [See List.]

WHITE OAK.—No remarks.

WHITESIDE VALLEY.—Has completed outside work of their church, and are trying to carry out the Temperance resolution.

BETHEL.—No remarks.

BETLEHEM.—Had a revival, lasting a week, in August. The church was greatly revived, and one converted. "Brethren, pray for us."

BRIDGEWATER.—"We have Sunday school every Sunday."

CAMP CREEK.—No remarks.

CANE CREEK,—No remarks.

CATAWBA.—Has had a revival, and seven are awaiting Baptism. "Pray for us, that God may bless our little church."

CHERRY SPRING.—Has had a glorious revival, and contemplates building a new church during the coming year.

DYSARTSVILLE.—Has had a gracious revival resulting in six additions by Baptism. "We are endeavoring to carry out temperance principles."

HARMONY GROVE.—"We are numerically weaker this year—having had only one sermon each month—no Sunday school. Some

of our members attend Sunday school at other places. A majority of our members seem to be anti-missionary from the way they contribute."

HALL TOWN.—Has had a revival resulting in twelve conversions and blessing the members in their labors. They ask an interest in our prayers. They also report a branch Sunday school at Catawba River with F. A. Hall Supt., 4 teachers and 56 scholars.

MACEDONIA.—Is trying to carry out the temperance resolution, and ask us to pray for them.

MARION.—"Our pastor has been and is still afflicted. We have not had any preaching during the summer, and our church is not working as it should."

MOUNTAIN CREEK.—Has just completed painting its new house 40x60 feet, carpeting the aisles, altar and rostrum and heartily welcomes this session of the Associatien.

MOUNT VERNON.—No remarks.

OLD FORT.—"Owing to the affliction of pastor we had no regular services for three months, but we are thankful he is restored to us, and has again entered on his work. Pray the blessing of God upon us."

ROUND HILL.—Reports for aged ministers fund $2.70. R. H. Barnes for Foreign Missions $1.00 in addition to amount given in Financial table.

COLUMBUS, STONE MOUNTAIN, CLEAR CREEK, TURKEY COVE and ZION HILL were not represented.

FINANC

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.
Beulah	20.00
Big Level	.....
Bill's Creek	.....
Chimney Rock	.....
*Columbus	50.00
Cooper's Gap	25.15
Green's Creek	22.77
Green River	28.25
Montford's Cove	60.00
Piney Knob	40.00
Pleasant Grove	38.00
Pleasant Hill	65.00
Rock Spring	20.75
Rutherfordton	200.00
Silver Creek	87.00
*Stone Mountain	26.70
White Oak	50.00
Whiteside Valley	15.00
Bethel	75.00
Bethlehem	50.00
Bridgewater	50.00
Camp Creek	.....
Cane Creek	30.00
Catawba	14.00
Cherry Spring	14.00
*Clear Creek	10.00
Dysartsville	35.05
Hall Town	20.00
Harmony Grove	24.00
Macedonia	49.00
Marion	300.00
Mountain Creek	80.00
Mount Vernon	150.00
Old Fort	100.00
Round Hill	62.00
*Turkey Cove	5.00
*Zion Hill	30.00
Totals	$2146.67

*Not represented—Estimate of 1892.

IAL TABLE.

Incidental Expenses.	Minute Fund.	Building and Repairs.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education and Other Objects.	Total.
.....	.50	.....	1.00	.....	1.27	.....	22.77
.....	.50	40.00	2.00	.....	5.00	10.00	57.50
.....	1.15	.. ..	.....	2.50	2.50	.....	6.15
.....	.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.25
.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	3.25	.....	55.25
.....	.60	.....	2.00	.....	3.00	1.00	31.75
.....	.70	9.00	.....	1.00	1.50	15.25	50.22
.....	1.00	.....	3.00	2.00	4.00	11.20	49.45
12.06	1.05	.....	3.00	.....	5.00	4.85	85.96
... ...	.55	.....	2.00	.....	5.00	16.50	64.05
.....	.60	.....	2.00	.....	3.75	1.00	45.35
.....	.85	200.00	12.00	5.00	25.00	14.32	422.17
.....	.85	.....	4.00	.....	5.00	.....	30.60
21.93	2.50	.....	40.00	20.00	50.00	84.97	419.40
.....	1.50	.....	2.00	2.00	3.00	13.02	108.52
.....	.50	.....	2.20	3.00	.....	.....	32.40
.....	1.00	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	91.00
.....	1.20	400.00	2.50	1.00	3.00	17.08	439.78
.....	1 15	29.90	5.00	.....	9.25	37.80	158.10
1.00	1.05	.....	2.00	1.00	3.31	2.50	60.35
2.00	.75	.....	5.00	2.00	.....	3.00	62.75
2.60	.80	.....	.70	.75	2.00	1.50	8.35
.....	.40	.....	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	32.40
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	15.00
.....	.20	.....	1.57	.....	.....	1.25	17.02
.....	.....	.....	4.00	.....	.15	.....	14.15
.25	.70	30.00	.70	.32	2.65	.33	70.00
3.05	.45	5.00	.....	.....	1.10	4.42	34.02
.....	.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24.70
.....	.25	.....	1.00	.....	.....	11.00	61.25
18.00	.80	.....	9.30	5.00	9.35	18.07	360.57
2.50	2.50	122.97	25.00	10.00	50.00	17.47	310.44
10.30	1.25	1.25	15.00	10.00	18.00	31.00	236.80
.....	.75	.....	10.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	125.75
26.25	1.20	106.20	5.00	2.00	3.55	8.85	215.05
10.50	....	.....	... ...	.....	.....	.....	15.50
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.17	.....	31.17
$ 110.44	$ 28.25	$ 1084.32	$ 165.02	$ 72.57	$ 237.80	$ 330.88	$ 4165.95

STATISTICAL

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.
Beulah	A. T. Jones, Swains, South Carolina
Big Level	J. C. Sorrels, Nealsville, North Carolina
Bill's Creek	Elbert Jackson, Turner, North Carolina
Chimney Rock	Richard Huggins, Bat Cave, North Carolina
*Columbus	O. C. Barton, Gowansville, South Carolina
Cooper's Gap	Elbert Jackson, Turner, North Carolina
Green's Creek	R. J. Tate, Sandy Spring, North Carolinn
Green River	A. T. Jones, Swain, South Carolina
Montford's Cove,	J. C. Sorrels, Nealsville, North Carolina
Piney Knob	Z. D. Harrill Ellenboro, North Carolina
Pleasant Grove	Z. T. Whiteside, Uree. North Carolina
Pleasant Hill	C. B. Justice, Rutherfordton, North Carolina
Rock Spring	Z. T. Whiteside, Uree, North Carolina
Rutherfordton	C. B. Justice, Rutherfordton, North Carolina
Silver Creek	J. C. Sorrels, Nealsville, North Carolina
*Stone Mountain	J. I. Moffitt, Stone Mountain, North Carolina
White Oak	A. T. Jones, Swains, South Carolina
Whiteside Valley	Z. T. Whiteside, Uree, North Carolina
Bethel	J. C. Sorrels, Nealsville, North Carolina
Bethlehem	J. C. Sorrels, Nealsville, North Carolina
Bridgewater	M. M. Landrum, Marion, North Carolina
Camp Creek	H. D. Harrill, Forest City, North Carolina
Cane Creek	B. W. Toney, Sunshine, North Carolina
Catawba	A. J. Hensley, Rocky Pass, North Carolina
Cherry Spring	A. J. Hensley, Rocky Pass, North Carolina
*Clear Creek	A. J. Hensley, Rocky Pass, North Carolina
Dysartsville	B. B. Harris, Cuba, North Carolina
Hall Town	D. P. Loudermilk, Fonta Flora, North Carolina
Harmony Grove	J. R. Denton, Dysartsville, North Carolina
Macedonia	B. B. Harris, Cuba, North Carolina
Marion	M. M. Landrum, Marion, North Carolina
Mountain Creek	C. B. Justice, Rutherfordton, North Carolina
Mount Vernon	C. E. Gower, Lincolnton, North Carolina
Old Fort	M. M. Landrum, Marion, North Carolina
Round Hill	H. D. Harrill, Forest City, North Carolina
*Turkey Cove	
*Zion Hill	G. W. Settemire, Old Fort, North Carolina

*Not represented—Estimate of 1892 given.

ABLE.

ERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFCES.		Sabbath Preaching.	Baptised.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Total.
R. Splawn, Mills Spring	N. C,	4	2	....	..	....	..	..	20	22	42
W. Cowart, Poplar Grove	"	4	5	6	2	....	2	..	54	69	123
n F. Logan, Ayr,	"	1	13	....	2	7	6	3	27	90	117
n. M. Henderson, Chimney Rock.	"	2	..	3	..	....	..	..	5	13	18
ıy B. Hampton, Laudrum	S. C.	4	...	4	1	6	1	2	48	56	104
W. Gibbs, Dimsdale	N. C.	3	8	....	4	11	15	..	82	144	226
Wilkerson, Collinsville	"	3	6	3	2	5	2	..	47	84	131
I. Ridings, Poor's Ford	"	2	5	6	2	2	1	2	53	94	147
W. Morgan, Otter Creek	"	3	21	3	..	2	2	2	56	145	201
B. Elliott, Cuba	"	2	8	1	2	7	..	..	34	52	86
R. Morgan, Otter Creek	"	4	3	10	..	....	2	..	35	44	79
n Owens, Mack	"	1	...	1	..	....	1	..	51	69	120
S. Whiteside, Ayr	"	2	1	7	..	5	2	1	25	58	83
C. Smith, Rutherfordton	"	2–4	15	1	..	6	1	1	85	99	184
n M. Justice, Mills Spring	"	4	10	1	..	8	..	1	55	88	143
M. Nanny, Stone Mountain	"	1	...	....	1	3	5	2	26	54	80
R. Foster, Mills Spring	"	3	19	10	..	5	4	4	50	61	111
M. Whiteside, Chimney Rock	"	3	2	11	..	....	..	..	19	25	44
G. Goforth, Nealsville	"	2	24	7	..	8	8	2	112	159	271
n. Silver, Old Fort	"	1	2	1	..	1	..	1	28	56	84
C. Price, Cuba	"	2	...	7	..	....	..	..	5	12	17
P. Guffy, Trio	"	3	2	1	2	4	2	1	35	73	108
W. A. Cowan, Cliffdale	"	4	8	3	4	1	..	1	21	37	58
A. Gibson, Old Fort	"	1	...	....	..	....	..	..	15	26	41
H. Gilliam, Old Fort	"	4	7	1	2	2	..	1	17	27	44
Silver, Old Fort	"	4	...	....	..	3	1	1	52	98	150
R. Denton, Dysartsville	"	3	8	6	..	2	1	..	58	102	160
A. Hall, Marion	"	4	7	7	1	....	..	..	18	24	42
P. Sorrels, Bridgewater	"	4	...	....	2	10	..	..	27	33	60
E. Watkins, Nealsville	"	4	10	1	..	....	..	..	24	32	56
B. Price, Marion	"	1–3	1	1	..	5	1	..	19	42	61
Portrum, Rutherfordton	"	3	...	9	1	6	3	1	106	128	234
C. Wilson, Myrtle	"	4	14	7	..	4	6	2	105	158	263
M. Mashburn, Old Fort	"	4	...	2	..	....	..	..	14	21	35
L. Deck, Thermal City	"	1	20	5	..	13	4	2	91	133	224
A. Puckanan, Armstrong	"	2	...	1	1	9	2	..	9	32	41
A. Pendergrass, Old Fort	"	2	...	....	.	1	..	..	14	22	36
Totals		....	221	126	29	136	72	30	1542	2482	4024

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

SCHOOLS.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Papers Taken.	Total.
Big Level.....	J. J. Cowart, Poplar Grove.....N. C.	5	60	25	3.00
Coopers Gap....	W. E. Mills, Dimsdale..... "	8	57	....	.....
Green's Creek....	D. F. Ezell, Collinsville..... "	4	56	56	6.00
†Collinsville.....	A. L. Landford, Collinsville.... "	4	....	....	1.80
Green River.....	J. H. Blanton, Poor's Ford.... "	6	50	50	.....
Montford's Cove.	J. W. Morgan, Otter Creek..... "	3	124	120	5.00
Pleasant Grove..	Richard Ledbetter, Ayr..... "	8	75	40	2.00
†Green Hill.....	N. C. Lovelace, Green Hill..... "	8	90	....	2.00
Pleasant Hill....	J. M. Taylor, Mack..... "	5	40	....	.....
†Piedmont.....	A. L. Rucker, Rutherfordton... "	8	100	25	3.00
†Whiteside Acd'y	Z. T. Whiteside, Uree..... "	5	50	....	.....
Rutherfordton...	T. C Smith, Rutherfordton..... "	7	90	100	[a]50.00
Whiteside Valley	I. M. Frady, Uree..... "	10	80	71	2.11
Bethel.....	E. G. Goforth, Nealsville..... "	10	91	80	[a]17.24
Bethlehem.....	Wm. Silver, Old Fort..... "	7	48	52	2.44
Camp Creek.....	B. Biggerstaff, Trio..... "	9	49	....	.....
Catawba.....	H. F. Smith, Old Fort..... "	4	25	....	.....
Cherry Spring...	W. H. Gilliam, Old Fort..... "	4	33	22	1.25
Hall Town.....	G. Y. Hall, Marion..... "	4	45	....	.....
†Catawba River..	F. A. Hall, Marion..... "	4	56	....	.....
Marion.....	B. B. Price, Marion..... "	5	40	40	15.00
Mountain Creek.	H. Portrum, Rutherfordton.... "	8	60	....	.....
Mount Vermon...	R. K. Wilon, Myrtle..... "	13	108	80	2.50
Old Fort.....	Dr. B. F. Landis, Old Fort..... "	8	55	75	25.68
Round Hill.....	L. L. Deck, Thermal City..... "	7	72	16	1.71
Totals.....	.....	164	1544	852	$140.73

†The Schools thus marked may be regarded as "branch" or "missionary" schools of the churches immediately preceeding them. Whiteside Academy is a part of Rocky Spring which has no other school.

Dysartsville reports 25 volumes in library and no school.

Bridgewater reports same number of volumes, has a school but sent no statistics.

The above contributions are all for school expenses except (a) $30.00 and (b) $1.81 for various objects.

Treasurer's Report.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Orphanage.	Minister's Ed.	S. S. Missions.	Aged Ministers	Centennial Missions	Total.
Beulah	$1 00	1 27	....	....	...	....	...		2 27
Big Level	2 00	5 00	...	....	...	....	....		7 00
Bill's Creek	2 50	2 50	.....	....	...	....	....		5 00
Bethel	5 00	9 25	....	9 81	..	....	....		24 06
Bethlehem	2 00	3 00	1 21	3 15	2 00	....	.....		11 46
Bridgewater	5 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	....	...	....		10 00
Chimney Rock	.....	....	...	....	....	....	....		
Columbus	.....	.....	...	...	....	....	....		
Cooper's Gap	2 00	3 00	....	....	1 00	....	...		6 00
Cane Creek	1 00	1 00	...	..	...	....	....	1 00	3 00
Camp Creek	70	2 00	....	1 50	....	....	....	75	4 95
Cherry Springs	1 00	50	....	.....	...	....	....		1 50
Catawba	.....	1 00	....	.....	....	....	....		1 00
Clear Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	..	...		
Dysortsville	70	.....	32	33	....	....	....		1 35
Green's Creek	1 00	1 50	....	....	.....	....	....	1 05	3 55
Green Grove	3 00	4 00	2 00	....	1 00	.....	....	5 00	15 00
Hall Town	.....	.....	....	4 42	...	....	....		4 42
Harmony Gr've	.....	.....	....	....	2 00	. ...	....		2 00
Montfords Cove	3 00	5 00	....	2 85	2 00	....	....		12 85
Marion	9 30	9 35	5 00	1 40	5 00	....	2 25	5 80	38 10
Macedonia	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	...	.....	....		2 00
Mountain Creek	9 87	9 45	....	....	5 00	.....	....	10 00	34 32
Mount Vernon	15 00	18 00	10 00	....	3 00	.....		12 00	58 00
Old Fort	10 00	5 00	5 00	....	3 00	....			23 00
Piney Knob	.....	.....	...	2 50	2 00	...			4 50
Pleasant Grove	2 00	3 75	....	....	1 00	....			6 75
Pleasant Hill	6 86	9 85	1 56	....	5 45	....			23 52
Round Hill	5 00	3 55	2 00	2 20	3 00	....	2 70		18 45
Rutherfordton	30 00	32 00	14 00	26 00	20 00	10 00		18 05	150 05
Rock Spring	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....		2 70	2 70
Silver Creek	2 00	3 00	2 00	3 00	....	....			10 00
Stone Mount'n	.....	.....	....	....	....	....			
Turkey Cove	.....	.....	....	....	..	....			
Whiteside Val	2 50	3 00	1 00	3 50	....	....		1 08	11 08
Zion Hill	1 00	1 00	80	....	....	..			2 80
White Oak	.....	.....	....	....	....	.....			
Collections		.....	....	....	...	...			
this session	16 77	.....	....	39 35	.....	....			56 12
Collections		.....	....	....	....	....			
S.S. Assc'tn.	6 00	.....	....	.....	.....	....			6 00
Total.	$146 20	$137 97	47 79	103 01	55 45	10 00	4 95	57 43	$562 80

We have examinined the Treasurer's receipts and find that he has paid out five hundred and sixty-two dollars and eighty cents all of which has been properly applied to the objects named in his report.

M. H. Justice,
T. C. Smith,
Auditing Committee.

The amount from Zion Hill church was raised by Miss Lettie Reed.

Bethel Sunday school contributed $1.81 of amount for Orphanage from that church.

A portion of the contributions from several churches was sent direct—not paid to the Treasurer, hence does not appear on this report. See Financial table for these amounts.

Piney Knob church sent report $7.00, not reported in above, which is to be duly forwarded as directed by that church.

Several churches expect to add to their contributions to apply on the past year's work.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

A. L. Grayson, Treas.

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MR. A. L. RUCKER:

Dear Sir:—In justice to you, I desire to say that the delay in issuing the Minutes of the Green River Association was due to no fault of yours. The copy was received in ample time to have had them out by the middle of November, but owing to an error in the shipment of type I was unable to get to work on them until over a month after they should have been issued.

Respectfully,
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NEXT SESSION.

AT Round Hill Church 10 miles North of Rutherfordton, and one-fourth of a mile of Union Mills on the O. R. & C. Railroad, beginning Thursday before the first Sunday in October 1895.

PROCEEDINGS.

BIG LEVEL BAPTIST CHURCH, POLK COUNTY, N. C.
Thursday, Oct. 4th, 1894.

The Green River Baptist Association met this day at 11 o'clock in its fifty-fourth annual session.

HYMN.—"We Plead Thy Promise."

PRAYER.—Eld. C. E. Gower, leading.

After the hymn, "Now we Meet," and prayer by Eld. J. C. Sorrels, Eld. C. E. Gower read the fifth chapter of Romans, selecting verses 12, 18 and 19 of that chapter as a text for the introductory sermon. From these he submitted as his theme, "The Sin of the First, and the Righteousness of the Second Adam."

The subject was ably and forcibly discussed—the old story of the gospel extolled, and the so-called new theology, as taught by some, as severely denounced.

We are sorry we cannot on account of space give a synopsis of the sermon, which we heard highly complimented by others.

Prayer by M. M. Landrum.

"Amazing Grace how Sweet the Sound" was sung.

After remarks by M. M. Landrum former Moderator, the Association adjourned for one hour.

Benediction by Eld. C. E. Gower.

FIRST DAY.—EVENING SESSION.

The Association met at 2 PM. Elder M. M. Landrum, former Moderator, called the body to order, and read the thirteenth chapter of Corinthians.

HYMN.—"Jesus Lover of My Soul." Elder T. K. Brown, of the Buncombe county Association, led the prayer.

J. C. Caddell and A. L. Grayson were requested to act as assistant clerks in organizing the Association.

The Moderator called the roll of churches; the letters were

presented and read, and Messengers enrolled as follows.

FIRST DISTRICT.

BEULAH—W. J. Splawn, A. L. Pitman, John Culbreath.

BIG LEVEL—Eld. J. H. Taylor, B. T. Wilson, N. T. Mills, T. M. Ruppe.

CHIMNEY ROCK—C. G. Nanney, E. C. G. Nanney.

BILL'S CREEK—*Eld. W. H. Logan, Wm. Flynn, I. E. Frady, J. F. Logan.

COLUMBUS—N. B. Hampton, Columbus Jones, H. C. McCurry.

COOPER'S GAP—H. K. Corn, W. E. Mills, W. T. Brown, Burchet Laughter.

GREEN'S CREEK—G. C. Collins, Marcus Blackwood, Alexander Feagans.

GREEN RIVER—T. C. Page, J. H. Blanton, *T. P. Covington.

MONTFORD'S COVE—J. W. Halford, J. A. Wilkerson, Elijah Wilkinson, *J. D. Ledbetter.

PINEY KNOB—J. T. Bland, *J. B. Elliott.

PLEASANT GROVE—*R. Ledbetter, J. T. Lewis, George B. Melton.

PLEASANT HILL—C. W. Owens, M. D. Hill, *J. M. Taylor, M. L. McDade.

ROCK SPRING—Eld. Z. T. Whiteside. I. M. Frady, A. S. Whiteside.

RUTHERFORDTON—Eld. C. B. Justice, Eld. H. D. Harrill, *Eld. E. L. Taylor, A. L. Grayson, *J. M. Toms, J. H. Callahan, T. C. Smith, W. O. Watkins.

SILVER CREEK—Eld. Elbert Jackson, *J. M. Hamilton, I. S. Higgins, N. E. Williams, C. C. Collins.

STONE MOUNTAIN—*C. M. Nanney, M. Hall.

WHITE OAK—J. A. Thorn, J. R. Foster, J. A. Rucker.

WHITESIDE VALLEY—J. W, Thompson, R. K. Freeman, *Jerry Shitle.

SECOND DISTRICT.

BETHEL—Eld. J. C. Sorrels, *Eld. A. B. Mashburn, *J. W. Grayson, W. W. Sorrels, Z. V. Morris, E. G. Goforth, R. P. Morris, J. W. Bracket.

BETHLEHEM—A. W. Gilliam, John M. Pendergrass.

BRIDGEWATER—P. P. Price, J. C. Price.

CAMP CREEK—R. J. Tony, Joseph Hutchins, *G. A. Guffy.

CANE CREEK—E. Walker, *S. D. Street.—Church dismissed by letter.

CATAWBA—Eld. G. W. Settlemire.

CLEAR CREEK—Not represented.

CHERRY SPRING—J. A. Coxey, *W. G. Walker, G. L. Fortune.

DYSARTSVILLE—*Eld. J. R. Denton, J. P. Whisnant, W. S. Walker, *W. H. Taylor, *J. A. Daves.

HARMONY GROVE—Eld. A. J. Hensley, W. S. Freeman, *Marion Simmons, A. E. Rowe.

HALL TOWN—J. A. Hendley, Robt. Hall.

HENRY STATION—By letter and their pastor, Eld. G. W. Settlemire.

MACEDONIA—*J. Ward. B. E. Watkins.

MARION—Eld. M. M. Landrum, *Henry Husthsteiner, M. B. Poteet.

MOUNTAIN CREEK—C. M. Lewis, A. L. Rucker, J. B. Bennett, M. L. Sorrels, Wm. A. Geer, H. P. Rucker.

MOUNT VERNON—Eld. C. E. Gower, R. K. Wilson, R. G. Freeman, H. A. Harrill, *M. L. Wilson, J. C. Egerton, G. W. Morgan.

OLD FORT—R. H. Moore, M. G. Pendergrass.

ROUND HILL—I. P. Sorrels, L. L. Deck, C. O. Sorrels, T. W. Nanney, A. L. Sorrels.

TURKEY COVE—Not represented.

ZION HILL—Not represented.

Names with * in front, absent.

Churches represented	34
Churches not represented	3
Total	37

The Association proceeded to the election of officers for ensuing year with T. C. Page, L. L. Deck, and J. C. Caddell tellers, who reported the following as the result:

FOR MODERATOR:

Eld. M. M. Landrum,	62 votes.
Eld. C. B. Justice,	16 "
Eld. C. E. Gower,	1 "
N. B. Hampton,	1 "

FOR CLERK:

Adin L. Rucker,	79 votes.
A. L. Sorrels,	1 "

FOR TREASURER:

Albert L. Grayson,	77 votes.

Remarks by moderator.

Order of business, as printed in Minutes of 1893, adopted.

The hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed as follows: Meet at 9 AM.—Spend one half hour in devotional exercises.

Adjourn at 12 M.

Meet at 1 PM.

Adjourn at pleasure.

Elder G. W. Settlemire was recognized as messenger from Catawba church, and his name entered as a delegate opposite that church.

Under call of the Moderator for letters from churches dismissed from other Associations, and wishing to join this body, or for newly constituted churches, wishing to obtain membership in the Green River Association, Eld. G. W. Settlemire presented a letter, and statement in writing, of a church recently constituted and organized at, and known by the name of, Henry Station on the Southern Railway in the County of McDowell, which were referred to Elders C. B. Justice, C. E. Gower and H. D. Harrill with instructions to report on same tomorrow morning.

Visitors recognized and welcomed:

SANDY RUN ASSOCIATION—Elders T. J. Moss and S. A. Bridges.

BUNCOMBE COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Elders T. K. Brown and S. F. Moore.

RALEIGH ASSOCIATION—J. C. Caddell, representing the Biblical Recorder.

Under call for corresponding messengers no applications for recognition were made.

The pastor and members of Big Level church were appointed the committee on religious exercises.

FINANCE COMMITTEE—A. L. Grayson, A. L. Sorrels, C. M. Lewis.

Elder J. H. Taylor speaks of the constitution and history of Big Level church, and in the name of the church and community welcomes this session of the Association to the hearts and homes of the people. The response was by Elder C. B. Justice.

Elder O. C. Barton, of the Greenville, S. C. Association, preached at the stand during the evening session.

Round Hill, Bethlehem, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Grove, and Green River churches, each applied by letter for the next session of this Association.

Query from Whiteside Valley: "Is it Right for this Association to Pass a Resolution, and Not Carry it Out?"

Cane Creek church requests by letter a letter of dismission to join the Sandy Run Association.

Further committees will be announced in the morning

Adjourned to 9AM tomorrow.

Prayer and Benediction by Eld. T. J. Moss, of Sandy Run Association.

SECOND DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 9 AM.

Eld. S. A. Bridges of the Sandy Run Association read the thirty-fourth Psalm and conducted the devotional exercises in which the following brethren participated: Elders G. W. Settlemire, T. K. Brown, and C. E. Gower.

At 9:30 the Moderator called the Association to order.

The clerk read proceedings of yesterday which, as amended, were adopted.

The call for additional messengers and correspondents was made by the Moderator. Elder O. C. Barton, of the Greenville, S. C. Association, and Elder C. Durham, of Raleigh, Secretary of the State Mission and Sunday School Board, and representing the Board of Education of Wake Forest College, responded, and were cordially welcomed.

W. O. Watkins was added to the Finance Committee.

Announcement of committees by Moderator as follows:

STATE OF RELIGION—H. D. Harrill, N. B. Hampton. W. W. Gibbs, G. C. Collins, T. C. Page.

STATE MISSIONS—C. Durham, A. L. Pitman, T. M. Ruppe, E. C. G. Nanney, J. F. Logan.

HOME MISSIONS—J. C. Sorrels, J. W. Halford, J. T. Bland, J. T. Lewis, C. W. Owens.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—C. B. Justice, I. M. Frady, Elbert Jackson, M. Hall, J. R. Foster.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—R. K. Wilson, R. K. Freeman, A. W. Gilliam, E. G. Goforth, P. P. Price.

TEMPERANCE—A. J. Hensley, R. J. Tony, E. Walker, J. A. Coxey, J. P. Whisnant.

EDUCATION—C. E. Gower, A. J. Hensley, A. P. Rucker, H. A. Harrill, M. G. Pendergrass.

ORPHANAGE—T. C. Smith, C. O. Sorrels, B. T. Wilson, I. E. Frady, Columbus Jones.

DECEASED MINISTERS—G. W. Settlemire, Burchet Laughter, Marcus Blackwood, J. H. Blanton, Elijah Wilkerson, A. J. Hensley.

NOMINATIONS TO S. AND S. B. CONVENTIONS—J. H. Taylor, M. D. Hill, A. S. Whiteside, J. H. Callahan, I. S. Higgins.

CHURCH AND ASSOCIATIONAL HISTORY—J. A. Thorn, J. W. Thompson, Z. V. Morris, R. H Moore, Wm. A. Geer.

PERIODICALS AND RELIGIOUS LITERATURE—J. C. Caddell, T. J. Moss, T. K. Brown, O. C. Barton, S. F. Moore.

Cane Creek church was dismissed by letter to join the Sandy Run Association.

A. L. Grayson read the condensed report of Treasurer's receipts as follows, which was adopted:

For State Missions,	$ 79.40
" Foreign Missions,	134.59
" Home Missions,	34.66
" Orphanage,	30.56
" Ministerial Education,	35.17
" S. S. Missions,	5.00
" State Mission Debt,	56.25
" Aged Ministers,	6.05
" Eld. J. B. Bostic,	5.00
TOTAL	$386.68

The money sent up to this meeting will be added, and a complete report will be submitted to auditing committee.

Respectfully submitted

October 5th, 1894. A. L. GRAYSON, Treasurer.

C. B. Justice read a report on the recently constituted church at Henry Station:

The committee to whom the application of the newly constituted church at Henry Station was referred

Report.—That after examining the letter from the church, and, so far as accessible, their Constitution and Articles of Faith,

Recommend.—That the church be received into fellowship.

C. B. JUSTICE,
H. D. HARRILL, } Committee.
C. E. GOWER,

The report was adopted, and the new church at Henry Station was received into membership in the Green River Association. In the absence of other delegates, the pastor, G. W. Settlemire, was authorized to represent the church.

It was announced that Elders C. C. Case and B. B. Harris will preach immediately at the stand.

C. B. Justice read the following report:

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF THE GREEN RIVER ASSOCIATION.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Profoundly grateful to Almighty God for His abundant blessings on us during the past year in giving us abundant crops; blessing our people, in a very large measure, with extra-

ordinary health; giving to our churches in great abundance the spirit of revival, resulting in the addition, as appears from the letters, of 249 members by experience and baptism, and in bringing us together again in our annual meeting to review the work of the past twelve months, and to devise ways and means for carrying on the work for the next year—looking to Him for wisdom to plan wisely, and for strength and grace to carry out the plans inaugurated, we would call your attention to that which has been accomplished as well as that which remains to be done.

STATE MISSIONS.

During the first part of the year, by our recommendation, Brother A. J. Hensley supplied as Missionary under appointment of the Board of Missions of the Baptist State Convention, the field heretofore supplied by Brother J. C. Sorrels. Brother Hensley closed his work in this field, since which time it has not been supplied by any missionary. Brethren Settlemire and Hensley have both been giving some of their time to this work. During the year there have been added to these mission churches, eight persons by baptism. In addition to the work done by these brethren, Brother Sorrels held a meeting in North Cove, at the close of which he baptized three persons. At this point a church will be constituted in the near future.

Since the last meeting of the State Convention in December 1893, by special collections for that purpose, a debt of $3,000 has been paid the Missionaries for the work of the preceding year. In addition to this, the contributions from the churches for the work of the present year, notwithstanding the stringency in money matters, have been equal to, if they have not exceeded, those of the corresponding period of last year.

The labors of the Missionaries, 93 in number, under the appointment of our State Mission Board, have been very wonderfully blessed of the Lord, resulting in the professed conversion and baptism of large numbers into the churches; and also in the organization of a number of churches in destitute sections. During no year, perhaps, have the blessings of God in our efforts to evangelize North Carolina been greater than they have been during the year now closing.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

On account of space a mere summary only can be given of those in the employ of the Southern Baptist Convention.

In China we have 39 missionaries, and 21 native workers.

Elder R. T. Bryan and wife, who have been visiting this country, will return to China this month. Miss Lollie W. Price, of Ashe-

ville, goes with them.

In Japan—4 missionaries; In Italy—3 missionaries, and 14 native workers; In Africa—11 missionaries, and 5 native workers.

Here recently, Rev. C. C. Newton and wife have been called to their reward in Heaven.

In Brazil—17 missionaries, and 6 native workers.

Rev. S. J. Porter and wife have just returned from this field, and are now in this State for a few months.

In Mexico—23 missionaries, and 6 native workers.

HOME MISSIONS

Are divided into 1 work among the Indians,
2 " " " Negroes,
3 " " " Cubans,
4 " " " Foreign Population,
5 " " " Southern Cities,
6 " in new territories of the West.

Number of Missionaries, 381.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

During the year just closing our churches have contributed:

For State Missions,	$201.48
For Foreign Missions,	160.06
For Home Missions,	54.31
Total	$415.85

Out of the 37 churches belonging to the Association, 10 report no contributions for State Missions; 14 report nothing for Foreign Missions; and 23 make no contribution to Home Missions.

Perhaps most of the responsibility for the failure of the churches along these lines is to be attributed to the pastors who fail to properly instruct and lead their people. Your Board is of the opinion that if the churches are properly instructed they will generally respond to any reasonable demand made upon them.

Will not each pastor study the question of Missions, familiarizing himself with the history and present status of the work, and especially in regard to what the Bible teaches respecting this work; and then, from time to time, give his people the benefit of his information, and encourage them to contribute to this work?

We would furthermore recommend Mission societies in all the churches, thereby putting the women of our churches in direct communication with the Central Committee of the Women's Missionary Society of the Southern Baptist Convention, and in touch with the

Missionaries of the various Mission fields, and in possession of such Missionary information as will enable them to act intelligently in the premises. COMMITTEE.

Pending motion to adopt, C. B. Justice spoke to the report which was adopted.

J. C. Caddell read

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

At no time in our history as a denomination has the necessity been so great for our people to inform themselves in every part of religious work.

Realizing that the religious press can do much to effect this result we would urge that our people take and read all good literature possible.

We especially urge as many of our people as possible to take the Biblical Recorder, which for the past sixty years has been the faithful exponent of Baptist principles, and of our Baptist progress in North Carolina.

Charity and Children, The Home Field, and the Foreign Mission Journal contain special information of the Orphanage, and of Home and Foreign Missions, and are worthy a place in each of our homes.

COMMITTEE.

Pending motion to adopt, J. C. Caddell, T. C. Smith, J. C. Sorrels, C. B. Justice and T. B. Jtstice made remarks—the last two named announcing their readiness to take subscriptions for the Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal, respectively.

After giving a few minutes for taking subscriptions the report was adopted.

The report on State Missions was made special order for one o'clock to-day.

C. E. Gower read the

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Some one has said, "There is nothing great on earth but man, and nothing great in man but mind." He certainly had a high conception of man and the mind within him; and when we compare the immortal part of man with other things earthly, we are drawn to the conclusion that he was not very far wrong. Yet, strange to say, there are many people—some of them Christians, too—who make little effort to feed their own minds, and very inadequate provision to supply their own dear children with this, the greatest of all necessities, after plain food and scanty clothing.

Brethren and sisters, if we neglect these immortal minds, com-

mitted to us by God, what will the Judge say to us in that day?

Now we are glad to say that our people are awaking to the importance of this subject, and much has been already accomplished. Many good schools have been established, but more and better schools are needed and are coming. In our own Wake Forest College, and the School of the Prophets at Louisville, we have enough to fill us with gratitude, and call forth our best efforts to utilize the great advantage offered. Let us all go or help someone else, that we all may get some of the benefits, and meet the responsibilities resting upon us; because God has put two of the best institutions of learning in the land within our reach, and made them our own, as his stewards.

Bro. John M. Walker is at Wake Forest College, and is worthy of the nine dollars per month needed to keep him there. God is calling others, and calling His people to help prepare them for the best work possible.

Resolved, 1st., That, in the opinion of this Association, the State ought to provide for a four-months' public school in each school district in every county in the State.

Resolved, 2nd., That, in our opinion, the appropriation of money, the taxes of the people, to higher education is unwise, unjust, and a hindrance rather than a help to the best interests of Education in the State.

C. E. GOWER,
A. J. HENSLEY,
H. A. HARRILL,
A. P. RUCKER,
M. G. PENDERGRASS. } Committee.

The discussion of this report was, upon motion, made special order for 10AM tomorrow.

J. C. Sorrels offered the following:

WHEREAS, the "Board of Ministerial Relief," located at Durham, N. C., has not heretofore been recognized by this Association as an object claiming our regular contributions, as our other boards of the State,

Therefore, Resolved, That we acknowledge said board, and hereby make it an object of regular support, as we now do our Boards of Missions, &c., and that each church of this body will try to contribute to its relief at least once in each year.

J. C. SORRELS.

After remarks by C. Durham, J. C. Sorrels, M. M. Landrum, C.

B. Justice, C. E. Gower and A. L. Grayson, the resolution was adopted.

Adjourned one hour.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The association met pursuant to adjournment at one o'clock, and was called to order by the Moderator.

Announcement: Elders G. W. Settlemire and S. F. Moore will preach immediately at the stand.

The hour for the special order having arrived, C. Durham made the report on

STATE MISSIONS.

The Convention has said that State Missions include all the practical efforts to give the Gospel to the destitute in the State.

This year the ninety-two Missionaries, under appointment of our Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, are preaching at more than three hundred destitute places in the State.

The Board has been instructed by the Convention to close the year, if possible, without debt. This we hope to do, but, if this is done, all must unite in the work. Each pastor is, therefore, urged to present this work to the people during October and November, and to ask each member to give something to aid these worthy Baptist preachers, engaged by the Board, to preach the Gospel in destitute places. COMMITTEE.

On motion to adopt. C. Durham was permitted to occupy whatever time he thought proper in presenting the facts connected with the work of his Board. He was followed by J. C. Sorrels and C. B. Justice, the latter moving:

(1) That J. C. Sorrels be appointed Missionary of this body to work the unoccupied territory within the bounds of this Association lying north of the Catawba River: (2) That this Association pledge itself to raise the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars ($350) to pay Brother Sorrels for his services during the prosecution of the work for the ensuing year: And (3) That the churches now holding brother Sorrels as pastor be requested to cancel his obligations to them on account of this work.

These motions were adopted. A. W. Gilliam, Elbert Jackson, and J. C. Sorrels spoke, when C. Durham called the roll of churches

and obtained the following pledges for the object named in in the motion.

THE SALARY OF J. C. SORRELS.

Big Level,	$ 3.00	Bethel,	$13.00
Chimney Rock,	1.00	Bethlehem,	3.00
Columbus,	2.00	Bridgewater,	20.00
Cooper's Gap,	2.00	Dysartsville,	5.00
Green's Cr k Delegates	2.00	Harmony Grove,	1.00
Green River,	5.00	J. A. Hendley,	1.00
Montford's Cove,	1.00	Marion,	25.00
Piney Knob,	1.00	Mountain Creek,	23.00
Pleasant Grove,	2.00	Mt. Vernon,	15.00
Pleasant Hill,	10.00	Round Hill,	3.00
Rock Spring,	1.00	R. H. Moore	10.00
Rutherfordton,	100.00	S. Williamson	2.00
Silver Creek,	5.00	Stone Mountain,	10.00
White Oak,	5.00	J. W. Thompson,	1.00
Collection, Sunday,	11.00		
		TOTAL,	$285.00

The pastors present agreed, if the Lord will, to boom or burst our fifth Sunday meetings in an effort to raise the remaining $65 provided for in the motion.

After the hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," T. B. Justice, by request of chairman of committee, read the following report:

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

While it is an unpleasant duty, the committee on Sunday Schools feel that the appearing facts force us to say that the work as reported in Sunday Schools is not as encouraging as it should be, and the slow progress made during the last year is convincing of a lack of energy, or a misconception of the manner of conducting this great auxiliary of the church and Christ's Kingdom.

We realize that the hopes of the present, and the destiny of unborn generations, depend upon, and are to be shaped by the impressions made upon the classes of which our schools are largely composed. The efforts to instil principles of morality and Godliness into the children and unconverted are often pursued in a way too general to be effective, and their consequent failure a discouragement to the church and workers.

We find a number of churches in the Green River Association which report no schools, and a large number which use no lesson

helps, and, while we hold above all, the simple story of Jesus and His Love, we recognize the great value, as assistants, of the lesson helps in use now.

There is too much expected of pastors in the matter of enthusing the Sunday Schools and promoting the interests therein. We recommend that the Superintendent take great pains to instruct and encourage the teachers.

A church member who does not attend Sunday School is none the less responsible for the everlasting welfare of the rising generation.

Too many teachers talk to children and unconverted persons as a preacher would preach to a converted flock, and often aim above the capacity of their classes.

We recommend that none but christian persons of Baptist faith be employed in Baptist Sunday Schools.

No class, on account of age, and advancement, or ignorance and youth, should have precedence one over another.

God holds every church member responsible for the children of all members of his church.

The way to Christ is not paved with money, nor salvation bought with an earthly price, but a spirit of christian benevolence should be cultivated in every child.

May God help every church member here, whether he be a minister, a delegate, or a visitor, and make him or her a little leaven whose influence shall be felt throughout the Association from this until its next session, and may its results cast a halo of hope around the reports that shall come up to be read when we shall convene again.

R. K. WILSON,
E. G. GOFORTH,
R. K. FREEMAN,
A. W. GILLIAM,
P. P. PRICE,
} Committee.

After remarks by T. B. Justice, T. J. Moss, T. K. Brown, and C. B. Justice, and the appointment of C. B. Justice, J. C. Price, and C. C. Case, a committee charged with obtaining full Sunday School statistics within our Association, the report was adopted.

A. J. Hensley read report on

DECEASED MINISTERS.

We, your committee on deceased ministers are happy to report that God in His goodness, and infinite wisdom has preserved the

lives of all our ministers throughout the year. Let us render unto Him our profoundest gratitude for His kindness.

G. W. SETTLEMIRE,
J. H. BLANTON,
MARCUS BLACKWOOD,
ELIJAH WILKERSON,
A. J. HENSLEY.
} Committee.

Report was adopted.

Adjournment to 9AM tomorrow.

Benediction by H. D. Harrilll.

THIRD DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

The Association was not on time for the half hour's devotional exercises, but met at 9:30, and after the reading of the 95th Psalm and prayer by M. M. Landrun, the body was called to order by the Moderator.

The clerk read proceedings of yesterday, which were adopted.

The roll of delegates was called, and absentees noted.

The report on Church and Associational History was read by J. A. Thorn.

The committee on History report as follows :

We regret that this work has, to some extent, been neglected for the past few years. How are we to expect a correct history of our denomination without first obtaining the history of our churches and Associations? For more than a hundred years this great and glorious work has been going on. In the same teritory embraced by the Broad River at its organization in 1799, we now have four Associations: viz, Broad River, Green Biver, Kings Mountain and Sandy Run, the last named being organized in 1890.

We recommend that the office of " Church and Associational Historian " be created at this meeting and that a suitable man be chosen to fill the same, and that he be required to report to the Association annually all important historical facts and information connected with our churches.

J. A. THORN, Chairman.

After remarks by C. B. Justice, N. B. Hampton, T. K. Brown and I. M. Frady the report was adopted.

Article 10 in the order of Business as published first in 1889, and continued until now, was stricken out and the following was substituted in its place.

Article 10.—Ordered, That this Association appoint a suitable

man at this session as Historian, whose business it shall be to collect such facts as he may be able to do in reference to our Church and Association History, and report his progress annually until the same shall have been completed.

A supplementary report on History was presented on Sunday, which was not, for want of time, read before the body, and from which the following is quoted:

"We would furthermore suggest the name of brother A. L. Rucker as a suitable man for this work."

Upon this recommendation, A. L. Rucker was appointed by the Moderator. The hour having arrived for the special order, Education, the Association repaired to the stand. The report was read a second time by the chairman of the committee as given in yesterday's proceedings.

A motion was made to adopt, when C. E. Gower, C. Durham, and C. B. Justice spoke to the report.

The following pledges are to assist brother John M. Walker in defraying his expenses at Wake Forest College:

Big Level,	$ 2.00	Dysartsville,	$ 1.00
Cooper's Gap,	2.00	Harmony Grove,	1.00
Green River,	5.00	Marion,	5.00
Montford's Cove,	1.00	Mountain Creek,	10.00
Piney Knob,	1.00	G. C. Collins,	1.00
Pleasant Grove,	5.00	W. M. Justice, Pd.	1.00
Pleasant Hill,	5.00	N. B. Hampton,	1.00
Rock Spring,	2.00	J. A. Coxey,	1.00
Rutherfordton,	15.00	Silver Creek,	1.00
Miss E. Whiteside, Pd.	.50	B. E. Watkins,	1.00
Stone Mountain,	5.00	M. M. Landrum,	5.00
Bethel,	5.00	Bethlehem,	2.00
White Oak,	2.00	Wm. Flynn,	1·00
Bridgewater,	2.00	Columbus,	2.00
Cash Collection,	1.50		
		TOTAL,	$87.00

The report adopted.

ANNOUNCEMENT:—A. S. Bridges and T. K. Brown to preach at the stand, at 1 o'clock.

Committees announced:

ON QUERY FROM WHITESIDE VALLEY.—J. C. Sorrels, T. C. Page and L. L. Deck.

ON TIME, PLACE, AND INTRODUCTORY SERMON NEXT SESSION.—R. H. Moore, R. K. Wilson, T. C. Smith, J. C. Price, and Elbert Jackson.

At 12 M. adjourned one hour.

THIRD DAY.—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 1 o'clock, and after singing, "O, for a Closer Walk With God," was called to order by the Moderator.

A. J. Hensley read the following

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee on Temperance beg leave to submit the following report:

While the churches have failed to report their temperance standing in their letters to this body, upon inquiry among the pastors and delegates, and from the best information we can gather otherwise, we are happy to report the churches trying to carry out the temperance resolution passed by the Green River Association at Bethel church in 1890, and that said resolution is still growing in favor among the churches.

Brethren, being the leading denomination, numerically, in the State, other denominations and the eyes of the world are looking to us to lead off in this great and glorious work in trying to reform the young people of our country, and to encourage them to aid and assist us in removing the great curse of intemperance from our land.

Furthermore, we believe it to be the duty of young ladies belong-

ing to the Baptist church to use their influence in aiding us in this work.

We, therefore, ask this body to advise the various churches to use all their influence to develop and and perfect the great reformation now being agitated throughout the land known as Prohibition.

A. J. HENSLEY,
J. A. COXEY,
J. P. WHISNANT, } Committee.
J. E. TONEY,
E. WALKER,

The report was adopted without discussion.

The resolution of 1890 referred to in the report reads as follows:

RESOLVED.—That this Association will not fellowship any church that will retain among its membership any person who will aid or abet by selling any products of the farm, or by Government store-keeping, or in any other way assist in the manufacture or sale of spirituous liquors.

The following is the report of the

FINANCE COMMITTEE,

read by chairman of committee and adopted :

We report the Minute fund sent up by the churches, $29.05.

We recommend that the clerk have ten dollars for his services, and use the balance of the money for printing Minutes, and furnishing blank Associational letters.

C. M. LEWIS,
A. L. GRAYSON, } Committee.
A. L. SORRELS,
W. O. WATKINS,

M. H. Justice and T. C. Smith were appointed to audit itemized report of Treasurer which appears at close of these proceedings.

On motion of A. L. Grayson the following changes were made on Board of Missions and Sunday schools:

Rutherfordton.—M. McBrayer, vice W. H. Glover, removed.
Big Level.—T. J. Cowart, vice S. J. Cowart, removed.
White Oak.—J. A. Thorn, vice O. I. Nelson, deceased.
Cane Creek.—D. W. A. Cowen be dropped—church dismissed.

The Board corrected is as follows:

CHURCHES.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICES.
Beulah,	Joshua Pitman,	Mills Spring, N. C.
Big Level,	T. J. Cowart,	Poplar Grove, "
Bill's Creek	J. F. Logan,	Ayr, "
Chimney Rock,	W. M. Henderson,	Chimney Rock, "
Cooper's Gap,	H. K. Corn,	Dimsdale, "
Columbus,	Gray B. Hampton,	Landrum, "
Green's Creek,	J. J. Green,	Collinsville, "
Green River,	T. C. Page,	Poore's Ford, "
Montford's Cove,	L. D. Hemphill,	Otter Creek, "
Piney Knob,	J. F. Bland,	Cuba, "
Pleasant Grove,	M. D. Hill,	Rutherfordton, "
Rock Spring,	H. M. Whitesides,	Poplar Grove, "
Rutherfordton,	C. B. Justice,	Rutherfordton, "
"	A. L. Grayson,	" "
"	W. L. Lynch,	" "
"	T. C. Smith,	" "
"	H. D. Harrill,	" "
"	M. McBrayer,	" "
"	J. M. Toms,	" "
Silver Creek,	J. S. McCraw,	Mills' Spring; "
White Oak,	J. A. Thorn,	Mills' Spring, "
Whiteside Valley,	John Thompson,	Grassy Knob, "
Bethel,	Z. V. Morris,	Nealsville, "
Bethlehem,	A. W. Gilliam,	Old Fort, "
Bridgewater,	J. C. Price,	Cuba, "
Camp Creek,	B. Biggerstaff,	Trio, "
Catawba,	M. A. Harvey,	Old Fort, "
Clear Creek,	C. P. Rader,	Greenlees, "
Cherry Spring,	W. J. Gilbert,	Old Fort, "
Dysartsville,	W. H. Taylor,	Dysartsville, "
Harmony Grove,	W. S. Freeman,	Rocky Pass, "
Hall Town,	Jonathan Hall,	Marion, "
Macedonia,	J. M. Watkins,	Dysartsville, "
Marion,	Wm. M. Blanton,	Marion, "
Mountain Creek	M. B. Flack,	Cuba, "
Mount Vernon,	N. J. Rollins,	Rutherfordton, "
Old Fort,	R. H. Moore,	Old Fort, "
Round Hill,	L. L. Deck,	Thermal City, "
Zion Hill,	F. Ledford,	Marion, "
Turkey Cove,	R. A. Hollifield,	Turkey Cove, "

C. B. Justice read report on Sunday School Statistics which was adopted as follows:

Your committee appointed to report on the number of Baptist Sunday Schools in the bounds of the Association find according to the most reliable evidence available that there are 30 schools, with an average attendance of 201 officers and teachers and 1,612 scholars,

making a total of 1,813 officers teachers and scholars, taking 999 quarterlies and papers.

C. B. JUSTICE,
J. C. PRICE, } Committee.

H. D. Harrill read the following which was adopted without discussion:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF RELIGION.

This committee examining the church letters and getting all the information obtainable report that the churches are in a better condition spiritually than heretofore. From gracious revivals in the the chuches 321 have been added to our membership by experience and baptism. We are led to believe, also, from the less frequent changes in pastors, that more unity exists in the churches.

On the other hand, the contributions from the churches have not been increased in proportion to the membership.

Some of the churches report nothing for benevolent purposes, and the salaries paid pastors too small for us to expect the churches to be blessed as they would be if this duty and privilege were discharged as they should be.

If pastors were properly paid for their services, it would give them better opportunities to make more thorough preparation for their work, whereby the pastors and the churches would be greatly benefitted.

Respectfully submitted.

H. D. HARRILL,
N. B. HAMPTON, } Committee.
T. C. PAGE,

T. C. Smith read report on

THE ORPHANAGE.

In presenting to this Association the advantages and claims of the Orphanage, we are aware that but a small idea can be conveyed as to the amount of good that is being or has been done by this institution now under the management of Brother J. H. Mills at Thomasville. The great good accomplished in the care of the fatherless, motherless and homeless can not be estimated until the great day when the faithful shall come bringing their sheaves with them.

Waifs have been gathered in from the paths of the wandering, and their minds imbued with high moral aspirations, and their intellects directed to high and noble work. As we appreciate the value of a soul to be saved, a life to be redeemed, a worker to be trained for the Master's work, and good citizens made of those who, in all probability, would become tramps, so should we lend our work, our efforts, and our material aid by which our faith is to be shown.

We believe that taking care of the orphans is a part of our Chris-

tian duty, and that we should contribute liberally and substantially to this work.

We believe that Brother Mills is the right man in the right place, and that his zeal and faithfulness should be encouraged by our prayers and contributions.

We hope it will be kept before the Baptists of this Association that not only cash contributions will be received with thanks, but that provisions or clothing sent to the Superintendent at Thomasville will be gratefully received.

We regard "Charity and Children" as the best means by which the brethren may inform themselves aboutthis work.

Respectfully submitted.

T. C. SMITH,
C. O. SORRELS
B. T. WILSON,
C. M. JONES,
} Committee.

Pending notice to adopt, C. B. Justice and J. H. Mills spoke to the report.

The following cash subscriptions were obtained:

N. B. Hampton, Columbus, N. C.	$ .50
M. M. Landrum, Marion, N. C.	1.00
Mrs. Martha Odom, Marion, N. C.	1.00
Mrs. J. C. Keeter, Cuba, N. C.	1.00
C. B. Justice, Rutherfordton N. C.	5.00
Miss Annie Smith, " "	1.00
A. A. Rucker, " "	1.00
J. T. Hill, " "	1.00
L. C. Callahan, " "	1.00
R. H. Moore, Old Fort, N. C.,	1.00
A. W. Gilliam, Old Fort,	1.00
Mrs. A. V. Smith, Morganton, N. C.,	1.00
T. C. Page, Poors Ford, N. C.,	1.00
H. D. Harrill. Forest City, N. C.,	1.00
J. C. Sorrels, Nealsville, N. C.,	1.00
Mrs. Ida Silver, Lost Prairie, Oregon,	1.00
A. S. Whiteside, Ayr, N. C.,	1.00
Miss Minnie Lee Arledge, Columbus, N. C.,	1.00
Mrs. L. L. Walker, Dysartsville, N. C.,	1.00
Mrs. L. M. Price, Dysartsville, N. C.,	1.00
Mrs O. I. Nelson, Poplar Grove, N. C.,	1.00
Miss Hattie Price, Cuba, N. C.,	1.00
Mrs Hannah S. Price, Dysartsville, N. C.,	1.00
Eller Gibbs, Pleasant Grove, N. C.,	.25
Hat Collection,	6.56
TOTAL,	$33.31

The report was adopted.

R. H. Moore read report on

TIME, PLACE AND INTRODUCTORY SERMON AT NEXT SESSION,

The undersigned committee after carefully considering all the applications for the next session of this Association recommend that it meet with the Green River Church at the usual time, and that Elder C. B. Justice preach the introductory sermon, Elder H. D. Harrill, alternate.

R. H. MOORE,
R. K. WILSON,
ELBERT JACKSON, } Committee.
T. C. SMITH,
J. C. PRICE,

L. L. Deck moved to amend report by striking out the words "Green River" and substituting therefor the words, "Round Hill."

Remarks were made by J. C. Price, R. H. Moore, C. B. Justice, T. C. Smith, and J. C. Sorrels.

The amendment was sustained by a vote of 33 to 22.

The report as amended was adopted.

J. C. Sorrels read report on

HOME MISSIONS.

This department of our work needs our prayers and support, for the Spirit of the Lord is directing it. Great good has been accomplished among the white and colored population of our own country, among the Indians and in Cuba. No less than 5.274 have been baptized in the last year. The total additions to the churches were 11,247. We have 368 missionaries working under appointment of the Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Surely this is the work of the Lord.

J. C. SORRELS,
J. T. BLAND,
J. W. HALFORD, } Committee.
J. T. LEWIS,
C. W. OWENS,

On motion to adopt J. C. Sorrels discussed the report.

The following are the pledges for

HOME MISSIONS:

Big Level,	$ 1.00	Silver Creek,	$ 1.00
Columbus,	1.00	Stone Mountain,	1.00
Green River,	1.00	White Oak	1.00
Montfords Cove,	2.00	Bethel,	5.00
Pleasant Grove,	1.00	Bethlehem,	2.00
Pleasant Hill,	5.00	Bridgewater,	3.00
Rock Springs,	1.00	Dysartsville,	1.00
Rutherfordton,	50.00	Marion,	5.00
Mountain Creek,	10.00	Mount Vernon,	10.00
Old Fort,	1.00	Round Hill,	1.00
		TOTAL,	103.00

The report was adopted.

J. C. Sorrels read the following in answer to the query from Whiteside Valley church:

In answer to the query from Whiteside Valley—

"Is it right for this Association to pass a resolution, and not carry it out?" We answer, no.

What resolution has not been carried out?

J. C. PAGE,
J. C. SORRELS, } Committee.
L. L. DECK,

J. C. Sorrels spoke.

C. B. Justice raised the point of order that unless some definite resolution had been specified in the query, the speaker had no right to guess at the intention of the church.

The point of order as raised was sustained by the Moderator. After further remarks by R. K. Freeman, the report was adopted.

C. B. Justice read report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committe would refer the brethren desiring information about the various mission fields and the number of laborers, both foreign and native, laboring in each of these fields, to that part of the report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools under the head of Foreign Missions.

We would further remind the brethren and sisters of the fact that the prosecution and success of our Mission work requires regular and liberal contributions. Will not the delegates representing

the different charges agree to try to raise more liberal contributions to this department of our Christian work than ever before.

Brethren, don't fail in this hour of need, just at the time the Lord is calling numbers of men and women to enter the foreign field. But these cannot go unless the churches contribute the necessary means, neither can the present force be sustained, unless sustained by the contributions of the brethren

C. B. JUSTICE,
I. M. FRADY,
ELBERT JACKSON, } Committee.
J. R. FOSTER,
M. HALL,

On motion to adopt the report, it was made special order for 10 o'clock romorrow, at the stand.

J. H Taylor read report on nominations as follows :

To the Southern Baptist Convention.—Elder C. E. Gower, Elder M. M. Landrum, alternate.

To the State Baptist Convention—Any brethren of this Association who may find it in their power to go to Charlotte in December next.

J. H. TAYLOR,
I. S. HIGGINS,
A. S. WHITESIDE, } Committee.
M. D. HILL,
J. H. CALLAHAN,

C. B. Justice moved to amend the report by appointing the Moderator a delegate to the State Convention, with authority to appoint as many others as our Constitution entitles us.

The amendment was adopted.

The report as amended was adopted.

The following are the delegates to the State Convention appointed under the amendment :

M. M. Landrum, C. B. Justice, H. D. Harrill, J. C, Sorrels, C. E. Gower, A. L. Rucker,, L. L. Deck, A. L. Grayson, R. H. Moore and T. C. Page.

Corresponding Messengers appointed as follows :

To Sandy Run Aassociation, which meets at Mount Harmony church next Thursday—H. D. Harrill, C. B. Justice, L. L. Deck, J. P. Whisnant.

To Kings Mountain, which meets at Bethlehem church, 13 miles Southeast of Shelby on Thursday before fourth Sunday in September 1895—H. D. Harrill, C. B. Justice, M. M. Landrum.

To the Buncombe County, which meets at Big Ivy church

Tuesday before second Sunday in August 1895—J. A. Thorn, C. B. Justice, C. M. Lewis, C. O. Sorrels, M. Hall, M. M. Landrum, R. H. Moore, H. K. Corn, H. D. Harrill.

The usual vote of thanks was tendered the members of Big Level church, and community, for their unbounded hospitality in entertaining the delegates and visitors to this session of the Association. Thanks are also due the choir, led by D. A. Merrell, for the excellent music during the session.

It is ordered that the collection to-morrow be applied to our associational mission.

M. M. Landrum called attention to the work, zeal and sacrifices of our beloved brother in the mission field of our Association.

After announcement for Sunday's services, adjourned to 10 A.M. tomorrow.

Benedicton by H. D. Harrill.

FOURTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, at 10 o'clock at the stand.

The Moderator read the 17th Psalm, and J. C. Sorrels led the prayer.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

The clerk, by request, read a second time the report on Foreign Missions as given in yesterday's proceedings, which was discussed at length by C. B. Justice.

The roll of churches was called and responded with the following pledges for Foreign Missions:

Big Level,	$ 4.00	Green River,	$ 5.00
Bill's Creek,	2.00	Pleasant Hill,	10.00
Chimney Rock,	1.00	Rock Springs,	5.00
Columbus,	3.00	Rutherfordton,	100.00
Cooper's Gap,	5.00	Silver Creek,	4.00
Stone Mountain,	1.90	Bethel,	20.00
White Oak,	5.00	Bethlehem,	3.00
Whiteside Valley,	3.00	Bridgewater,	10.00
Dysartsville,	2.00	Hall Town,	1.00
Macedonia,	2.00	Marion,	20.00
Mountain Creek,	23.00	Mount Vernon,	10.00
Old Fort,	10.00	Round Hill,	5.00
		TOTAL,	$254.00

The report was adopted.

The appointment of Historian was made, as given in Saturday's

proceedings.

J. C. Price and L. L. Deck were appointed to examine record of yesterday's proceedings as given by the secretary. Later they reported as follows:

We have examined the record of yesterday's minutes as given by clerk, and find the same correct.

J. C. PRICE, } Committee.
L. L. DECK, }

At at 11:30, M. M. Landrum preached from Mark xii: 41-44. At close of this sermon, a collection of $11.00 was taken and applied as directed on yesterday to associational missions.

Adjourned for one hour and thirty minutes.

FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 p. m. B. B. Harris preached from Isa. lii: 1-2.

Closing prayer and benediction by Z. T. Whiteside.

Thus ended the 54th Annual session of the Green River Baptist Association, and its record became a part of the history of the past.

The weather was exceedingly fine during the entire four days, and the sessions were largely attended.

The meeting both a temporal and spiritual feast from beginning to end, and God will bless the work so zealously and faithfully done.

ADIN L. RUCKER, Clerk. M. M. LANDRUM, Moderator.

ECHOES FROM THE CHURCHES.

BETHEL.—We have a gracious revival, resulting in 33 conversions, 23 of them joining our church. Pray for us.

BETHLEHEM.—Our church enjoyed a glorious revival lasting from the 4th to the 14th of August, conducted by our pastor Eld. J. C. Sorrels assisted, by E. J. Harrill. Great power and demonstration of the Spirit. Churches greatly edified and strengthened and built up. Nineteen baptized. Pray for us.

BEULAH—Brethren, pray for our little church.

CANE CREEK—Was dismissed by its own request to join the Sandy Run Association.

COLUMBUS—Has had a gracious revival in nine additions to the church by experience and baptism.

DYSARTSVILLE.—We have replaced our grave-yard fence with a

paled front. We had a meeting of eight days in August. One was baptized. Green River wants the next session of the Association. Request not granted.

HARMONY GROVE.—We have had regular preaching this year. Elders J. C. Sorrels and E. J. Harrill held a series of meetings with us in August. We are praying for a pastor. We have only a few live, energetic, working members. Our members misrepresent us. Pray for us.

MACEDONIA.—Brethren, we are endeavoring to carry out the temperance resolution. Pray for us.

MOUNTAIN CREEK.—We have had an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our church—35 conversions, 22 added by baptism, and a large number who had been cold, were by grace of God, revived, and the church is trying to let her light shine. Brethren, pray for us.

PLEASANT GROVE.—We have had a glorious revival meeting resulting in much good and leaving the church in perfect harmony. May the Lord grant that such a spirit may long continue with us. This church also applied for the next session of the Association, but failed to get it.

PLEASANT HILL—We have just finished our new house of worship at a cost of some $750, and earnestly ask you to meet with us in your session of 1895. We will give you a hearty welcome and entertain all who may attend. We are at peace among ourselves and laboring to build up the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. They, too, lost the next session.

ROUND HILL.—Applied for next session of this Association and obtained it.

STONE MOUNTAIN.—The spiritual condition of the church is good. Our pastor T. K. Brown gives his salary to the church.

WHITE OAK.—We are nearing the completion of a new house of worship, the cost of which, when finished, will exceed $1,000.

WHITESIDE VALLEY.—The query from this church answered in Saturday's proceedings.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Fix time of meeting and adjourning.
2. Call for messengers present without letters from their churches.
3. Call for application for membership in this body.
4. Appoint committees on preaching and finance.

5. Recognize, in their official capacity, any present who may represent general denominational interests.

6. Call for correspondents, renewing the call at the opening of each morning session.

8. Appoint committees on State of Religion, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Sabbath Schools, Temperance, Education, Orphanage, Deceased Ministers, Nominations in State and Southern Conventions, urging reports soon as possible.

9. Miscellaneous business.

10. Ordered; That this Association, at this session—1894—appoint a suitable man as Historian, whose business it shall be to collect such facts as he may be able to do, in reference to our church and associational history, and report same annually until the same shall have been completed.

11. Give an opportunity to present the claims of Foreign, Home and State Missions, and Orphanage, with any other general interest supported by this body.

12. Fix time and place of next meeting, and appoint the introductory preacher and alternate; also the minister to preach the missionary sermon.

13. Arrange general (or union) meeting.

14. Appoint correspondents to other bodies.

15. Call for reports of committees.

16. Elect delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

17. Elect Executive Board, provided for in Conventions.

18. Arrange for printing, distributing Minutes and paying Clerk.

19. Adjourn.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

SCHOOLS.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES.	OFFICERS AND TEACHERS.	SCHOLARS.	TOTAL.	CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SCHOOL EXPENSES AND OTHER OBJECTS.
Bethel,	E. G. Goforth, Nealsville, N. C.	10	110	120	$ 24.95
Big Level,	B. T. Wilson, Turner, N. C.	5	46	51	3.53
Bill's Creek,	Wm. Flynn, Tiger, N. C.	7	40	47	....
Bridgewater,	A. P. Sorrels, Bridgewater, N. C.	5	35	40	....
Camp Creek,	G. F. Watson, Trio, N. C.	10	40	50	....
Cherry Spring,	W. H. Gilliam, Old Fort, N. C.	9	41	50	3.54
Chimney Rock,	C. G. Nanney, Chimney Rock, N. C.	5	44	49	2.00
Columbus,	J. P. Arledge, Columbus, N. C.	11	110	121	5.50
Cooper's Gap,	H. K. Corn, Dimsdale, N. C.	9	94	103	....
Green's Creek,	G. D. Edwards, Blackwood, S. C.	6	57	63	3.00
Green River	T. P. Covington, Sandy Springs, N. C.	6	50	56	9.80
Harmony Grove,	G. M. Walker, Rocky Pass, N. C.	5	50	55	....
Henry Station,	....	4	20	24	2.00
Marion,	B. B. Price, Marion, N. C.	5	50	55	....
Mount Vernon,	J. G. Logan, Itom, N. C.	15	95	110	....
Montford's Cove,	J. W. Morgan, Otter Creek, N. C.	3	50	53	5.00
Old Fort,	R. H. Moore, Old Fort, N. C.	12	50	62	15.00
Piney Knob,	W. L. Bland, Cuba, N. C.	13	35	48	2.20
Pleasant Grove,	George Melton, Ayr, N. C.	7	50	57	1.05
*Green Hill,	N. C. Lovelace, Green Hill, N. C.	8	92	100	....
‡Piedmont,	M. D. Hill, Rutherfordton, N. C.	8	85	93	1.25
Rock Spring,	....	5	40	45	....
Round Hill,	L. L. Deck, Thermal City, N. C.	3	25	28	2.30
Rutherfordton,	T. C. Smith, Rutherfordton, N. C.	7	90	97	32.60
Silver Creek,	J. M. Hamilton, Bright's Creek, N. C.	6	40	46	1.46
Whiteside Valley,	S. J. Collins, Grassy Knob, N. C.	6	35	41	4.00
	TOTALS	190	1474	1664	$119.18

*The Green Hill is reported as a branch of the Pleasant Grove school.

‡Piedmont is made up of members of the Pleasant Hill and Mountain Creek churches.

Number of papers taken by the schools, 870.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	SABBATH PREACHING	BAPTIZED.	RECEIVED BY LETTER.	RESTORED.	DISMISSED BY LETTER.	EXCLUDED.	DIED.	MALES.
Bethel,	J. C. Sorrels, Nealsville, N. C.,	E. G. Goforth, Nealsville, N. C.,	2	33	7	6	8	6	2	12
Bethlehem,	J. C. Sorrels, " "	L. A. Gentry, Old Fort, N. C.,	1	19	4	..	..	..	1	4
Beulah,	A. T. Jones, Swains, S. C.,	A. L. Pitman, Landrums, S. C.,	4	..	2	..	1	..	..	2
Big Level,	J. C. Sorrels, Nealsville, N. C.,	T. M. Ruppe, Turners, N. C.,	4	..	1	..	2	1	1	5
Bill's Creek,	Elbert Jackson Turner's, "	John F. Logan, Ayer, N. C.,	1	..	6	1	3	1	2	2
Bridgewater,	M. M. Landrum. Marion, N. C.,	J. C. Price, Cuba, N. C.,	2	..	10	..	..	..	..	
Camp Creek,	H. D. Harrill, Forest City, "	J. P. Guffy, Trio, N. C.,	3	1	1	1	8	4	1	3
Cherry Springs,	A. J. Hensley, Old Fort, "	G. L. Fortune, Old Fort, N. C.,	4	..	2	..	5	1	1	1
Chimney Rock,	Richard Hudgin, Bat Cave, "	W. M. Henderson, Chimney Rock, N. C.	2	1	3	..	..	..	..	
Columbus,	O. C. Barton, Gowensville. S. C.,	N. B. Jackson, Columbus, N. C.,	4	9	4	..	..	..	3	5
Cooper's Gap,	Elbert Jackson, Turner, N. C.,	W. W. Gibbs, Dimsdale, N, C.,	3	11	1	1	7	2	..	8
Dysartsville,	B. B. Harris, Cuba. N. C.,	John B. Dalton, Dysartsville, N. C.	3	1	2	1	1	1	..	6
Green's Creek,	S. A. Bridges, Forest City, N. C.,	G. P. Green, Collinsville, N, C.,	3	3	2	1	5	3	1	3
Green River,	H. D. Harrill, Forest City, N. C.,	J. I. Ridings Poor's Ford, N. C.,	2	13	4	1	20	3	3	7
Hall Town,	D. P. Loudermilk, Table Rock, N. C.	John Garden, Marion,	4	..	5	..	4	1	..	1
Harmony Grove,	A. J. Hensley, Old Fort, N. C.,	A. P. Sorrels, Bridgewater, N. C.,	..	7	2	..	1	..	..	2
Henry Station,	G. W. Settlemire, Old Fort, N. C.	E. H. Hilliard, Round Knob, N. C.,	..	8	10	..	..	..	..	
Macedonia,	B. B. Harris, Cuba N. C.,	B. E. Watkins, Nealsville, N. C.,	4	..	..	..	1	2	..	1
Marion,	M. M. Landrum, Marion, N. C.,	B. B. Price, Marion, N. C.,	3	24	5	1	3	..	1	
Mountain Creek,	C. B. Justice, Rutherfordton, N. C.,	H. Portrum, Rutherfordton, N. C.,	3	22	5	4	4	4	4	1
Mount Vernon,	C. E. Gower, Lincolnton, N. C.,	J. E. Wilson, Myrtle, N. C.,	4	23	6	2	5	3	2	1
Montford's Cove,	J. C. Sorrels, Nealsville, N. C.,	J. W. Morgan, Otter Creek, N. C.,	3	4	3	2	3	..	5	
Old Fort,	M. M. Landrum, Marion, N. C.,	W. M. Mashburn, Old Fort, N. C.,	4	..	5	..	1	..	1	
Piney Knob,	Z. D. Harril, Ellenboro, N. C.,	J. B. Elliott, Cuba N. C.,	2	4	5	1	7	1	..	
Pleasant Grove,	H. D. Harrill, Forest City, N. C.,	A. F. Morgan Otter Creek, N. C.,	4	26	14	..	5	1	1	
Pleasant Hill,	C. B. Justice, Rutherfordton, N. C.,	John Owens, Mack, N. C.,	1	5	2	2	6	1	1	
Rock Spring,	Z. T. Whiteside, Uree. N. C.,	A. S. Whiteside, Ayr, N. C.,	2	3	3	1	5	1	1	
Round Hill,	H. D. Harrill, Forest City, N. C.,	J. D. Morris, Cuba, N. C.,	1	6	3	3	7	2	1	
Rutherfordton,	C. B. Justice, Rutherfordton, N. C.,	T. C, Smith, Rutherfordton, N. C.,	2 & 4	3	..	..	..	..	..	
Silver Creek,	S. C. Sorrels, Nealsville, N. C.,	W. M. Justice, Mill's Springs, N. C.	4	17	1	2	..	..	..	
Stone Mountain,	T. K. Brown, Black Mountain, N. C.,	C. M. Nanney, Stone Mountain, N. C.,	2	16	1	3	..	6	2	
White Oak,	A. T. Jones, Swains, S. C.,	J. R. Foster, Mill's Springs, N. C.,	3	..	..	1	6	..	3	
Whiteside Valley,	Z. T. Whiteside, Uree, N. C.,	W. M. Whiteside, Uree, N. C.,	4	..	5	..	3	4	..	
*Clear Creek,	A. J. Hensley, Old Fort, N. C.,	A. Silver, Old Fort, N. C.,	4	..	..	..	3	1	1	
*Turkey Cove,		W. A. Buchanan, Armstrong, N. C.	2	..	1	1	9	2	..	
*Zion Hill,	G. W. Settelmire, Old Fort, N. C.,	J. A. Pendergrass, Old Fort, N. C.	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	
TOTALS,				259	126	35	134	51	37	1

*Last three churches not represented. The estimate of 1893 is given.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

IES.	CHURCH EXPENSES.						CONTRIBUTIONS.							GRAND TOTAL.
	PASTOR'S SALARY.	INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.	POOR AND OTHER OBJECTS.	MINUTE FUND.	BUILDING AND REPAIRS.	TOTAL.	STATE MISSIONS.	HOME MISSIONS.	FOREIGN MISSIONS.	EDUCATION.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS &C.	ORPHANAGE.	TOTAL.	
.....	$ 75.00	$	$ 25.06	$ .90	$	$ 100.96	$ 10.28	$ 7.12	$ 16.10	$ 5.05	$	$ 1.00	$ 39.55	$ 140.51
.....	50.00	1.05	9.85	.80	100.00	161.70	3.00	....	1.00	2.00	....	....	6.00	167.70
.....	.....	....	....	.40	.....	.40	1.00	....	1.10	....	....	....	2.10	2.50
.....	40.00	....	....	.60	50.00	90.60	....	.85	3.20	....	....	....	4.05	94.65
.....	24.00	....	4.00	.85	3.00	31.85	....	....	....	2.00	....	2.10	4.10	35.95
.....	50.00	....	12.45	1.00	.....	63.45	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	....	5.00	21.00	84.45
.....	.....	....	....	.60	.....	.60	1.25	.25	1.00	....	....	1.00	3.50	4.10
gs,....	.....	....	....	.10	.....	.10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.10
ck,....	15.06	....	....	.30	.....	15.36	1.00	....	....	....	....	....	1.00	16.36
.....	75.00	....	....	1.00	25.25	101.25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	101.25
.....	23.05	....	....	1.00	75.00	99.05	....	....	1.00	....	....	....	1.00	100.05
.....	21.38	....	....	.70	5.00	27.08	1.55	....	.50	....	....	....	2.05	29.13
k.....	30.00	13.20	....	.45	.....	43.65	....	....	1.00	....	....	....	1.00	44.65
.....	75.00	7.50	....	1.45	.....	83.95	8.00	1.00	1.43	2.00	....	....	12.43	96.38
.....	25.00	....	....	.30	.....	25.30	1.00	1.00	....	....	....	3.00	5.00	30.30
ove,...	.....	....	....	.50	.....	.50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.50
n,.....	14.75	....	....	.10	.....	14.85	....	....	1.46	....	....	....	1.46	16.31
.....	23.30	....	5.00	.40	.....	28.70	....	....	1.00	....	....	....	1.00	29.70
.....	270.00	33.00	6.25	1.10	.....	310.35	10.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	a3.00	5.00	38.00	348.35
eek,...	100.00	5.00	99.50	2.40	.....	206.90	15.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	....	....	45.00	251.90
n,.....	150.00	5.65	17.00	1.75	.....	174.40	16.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	a2.00	5.00	48.00	222.40
ove,...	.....	12.95	19.50	1.15	3.00	36.60	2.50	....	....	....	....	....	2.50	39.10
.....	100.00	....	....	.50	.....	100.50	10.00	3.00	5.00	.50	a1.50	....	20.00	120.50
.....	50.00	2.60	....	.70	.....	53.30	2.00	....	5.00	1.00	....	1.03	9.03	62.33
ve,....	58.00	7.25	11.20	1.40	.....	77.85	2.20	....	4.30	7.75	....	....	18.25	92.10
.....	60.00	....	2.20	1.00	800.00	863.20	3.60	....	....	....	....	....	3.60	866.80
.....	32.35	....	....	.60	.....	32.95	2.50	....	3.00	2.00	....	....	7.50	40.45
.....	75.00	15.10	....	1.20	34.30	125.60	2.70	2.45	5.10	....	....	2.30	12.55	138.15
n, ...	250.00	.50	....	2.50	26.00	270.00	28.60	13.21	68.01	10.00	b59.35	16.35	195.52	474.52
.....	75.00	17.00	....	.85	25.00	117.85	10.00	....	....	....	....	....	10.00	127.85
ain,...	100.00	....	....	.90	.....	100.90	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	100.90
.....	50.00	....	....	1.00	674.95	725.95	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	725.95
lley,..	17.41	....	....	.55	.....	17.96	.50	.50	3.00	1.00	....	....	5.00	22.96
.....	10.00	....	....	....	.....	10.00	4.00	....	.15	....	....	....	4.15	14.15
e.....	5.00	10.50	....	....	.....	15.50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	15.50
.....	30.00	....	....	....	.....	30.00	....	....	1.17	....	....	....	1.17	31.17
.....	$1974.30	$131.30	$212.01	$29.05	$1821.50	$4168.16	$141.68	$54.38	$163.52	$54.30	$65.85	$41.78	$ 521 .5	$4689.67

*Estimate, 1893. (a) Aged ministers. (b) $54.35 of this by indiviuals for State Missions,

FINANCIAL TABLE.

HES.	CHURCH EXPENSES.						CONTRIBUTIONS.							GRAND TOTAL.
	PASTOR'S SALARY.	INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.	POOR AND OTHER OBJECTS.	MINUTE FUND.	BUILDING AND REPAIRS.	TOTAL.	STATE MISSIONS.	HOME MISSIONS.	FOREIGN MISSIONS.	EDUCATION.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS &C.	ORPHANAGE.	TOTAL.	
.....	$ 75.00	$	$ 25.06	$ .90	$	$ 100.96	$ 10.28	$ 7.12	$ 16.10	$ 5.05	$	$ 1.00	$ 39.55	$ 140.51
.....	50.00	1.05	9.85	.80	100.00	161.70	3.00	....	1.00	2.00	....	....	6.00	167.70
.....	.....	....	....	.40	.....	.40	1.00	....	1.10	....	....	....	2.10	2.50
.....	40.00	....	....	.60	50.00	90.60	....	.85	3.20	....	....	....	4.05	94.65	
x,.....	24.00	....	4.00	.85	3.00	31.85	....	....	....	2.00	....	2.10	4.10	35.95
r, ...	50.00	....	12.45	1.00	.....	63.45	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	....	5.00	21.00	84.45
x,.....	.....	....	....	.60	.....	.60	1.25	.25	1.00	....	....	1.00	3.50	4.10
ngs,....	.....	....	....	.10	.....	.10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.10
ock,....	15.06	....	....	.30	.....	15.36	1.00	....	....	....	....	....	1.00	16.36
.....	75.00	....	....	1.00	25.25	101.25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	101.25
p,.....	23.05	....	....	1.00	75.00	99.05	....	....	1.00	....	....	....	1.00	100.05
, ...	21.38	....	....	.70	5.00	27.08	1.55	....	.50	....	....	....	2.05	29.13
ek.....	30.00	13.20	....	.45	.....	43.65	....	....	1.00	....	....	....	1.00	44.65
,.....	75.00	7.50	....	1.45	.....	83.95	8.00	1.00	1.43	2.00	....	....	12.43	96.38
.....	25.00	....	....	.30	.....	25.30	1.00	1.00	....	....	....	3.00	5.00	30.30
rove,...	.....	....	....	.50	.....	.50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.50
on,.....	14.75	....	....	.10	.....	14.85	....	....	1.46	....	....	....	1.46	16.31
.....	23.30	....	5.00	.40	.....	28.70	....	....	1.00	....	....	....	1.00	29.70
.....	270.00	33.00	6.25	1.10	.....	310.35	10.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	a3.00	5.00	38.00	348.35
reek,...	100.00	5.00	99.50	2.40	.....	206.90	15.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	....	....	45.00	251.90
on,.....	150.00	5.65	17.00	1.75	.....	174.40	16.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	a2.00	5.00	48.00	222.40
Cove,...	.....	12.95	19.50	1.15	3.00	36.60	2.50	....	....	....	....	....	2.50	39.10
.....	100.00	....	....	.50	.....	100.50	10.00	3.00	5.00	.50	a1.50	....	20.00	120.50
.....	50.00	2.60	....	.70	.....	53.30	2.00	....	5.00	1.00	....	1.03	9.03	62.33
ove,....	58.00	7.25	11.20	1.40	.....	77.85	2.20	....	4.30	7.75	....	....	18.25	92.10
l,.....	60.00	....	2.20	1.00	800.00	863.20	3.60	....	....	....	....	....	3.60	866.80
.....	32.35	....	....	.60	.....	32.95	2.50	....	3.00	2.00	....	....	7.50	40.45
.....	75.00	15.10	....	1.20	34.30	125.60	2.70	2.45	5.10	....	....	2.30	12.55	138.15
on, ...	250.00	.50	....	2.50	26.00	270.00	28.60	13.21	68.01	10.00	b59.35	16.35	195.52	474.52
.....	75.00	17.00	....	.85	25.00	117.85	10.00	....	....	....	....	....	10.00	127.85
tain,...	100.00	....	....	.90	.....	100.90	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	100.90
.....	50.00	....	....	1.00	674.95	725.95	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	725.95
alley,..	17.41	....	....	.55	.....	17.96	.50	.50	3.00	1.00	....	....	5.00	22.96
k,.....	10.00	....	....	....	.....	10.00	4.00	....	.15	....	....	....	4.15	14.15
ve.....	5.00	10.50	....	....	.....	15.50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	15.50
.....	30.00	....	....	....	.....	30.00	....	....	1.17	....	....	....	1.17	31.17
.....	$1974.30	$131.30	$212.01	$29.05	$1821.50	$4168.16	$1	1.68	$54.38	$163.52	$54.30	$65.85	$41.78	$ 521 .5	$4689.67

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CHURCHES.	STATE MISSIONS.	FOREIGN MISSIONS.	HOME MISSIONS.	BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.	SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONS.	MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.	AGED MINISTERS.	REV. BOSTIC.	TOTAL.
Beulah,	....	....	1.00	....	....	....	....	....	1.00
Big Level,	....	3.20	....	2.18	....	....	....	....	5.38
Bill's Creek,	....	....	....	2.10	....	1.00	....	....	3.10
Bethel,	10.12	31.18	2.90	9.45	....	5.05	....	....	54.20
Bethlehem,	....	....	1.00	....	....	....	....	....	1.00
Bridgewater,	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.08	....	....	2.55	....	22.55
Chimney Rock,	1.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1.00
Columbus,	....	.50	....	....	....	....	....	....	.50
Coopers Gap,	1.00	....	....	....	....	1.50	....	....	2.50
Camp Creek,	2.00	1.00	.25	.25	....	....	....	....	3.50
Cherry Spring,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Catawba,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Clear Creek,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Dysartsville,	1.55	.50	....	....	....	....	....	....	2.05
Green's Creek,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Green River,	3.00	1.43	1.00	....	....	2.00	....	....	7.43
Hall Town,	.40	....	1.00	3.00	....	....	....	....	4.40
Henry Station,	....	1.46	....	....	....	....	....	....	1.46
Harmony Grove,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Montford's Cove,	....	2.30	....	....	....	....	....	....	2.30
Marion,	11.30	9.50	5.00	2.20	....	5.00	4.50	....	37.50
Macedonia,	1.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1.00
Mountain Creek,	15.00	15.00	5.00	....	....	10.00	....	....	45.00
Mount Vernon,	15.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	....	5.00	2.00	....	47.00
Old Fort,	2.60	5.00	3.00	....	....	.50	1.50	....	12.60
Piney Knob, for 1893,	2.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	5.00	7.00
" " " 1894,	2.00	....	....	1.03	....	1.00	....	5.00	9.03
Pleasant Grove,	....	4.40	....	....	....	1.17	....	....	5.57
Pleasant Hill,	3.60	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3.60
Round Hill,	2.95	5.10	2.45	2.30	....	....	.70	....	13.50
Rock Spring,	3.15	3.00	....	....	....	2.00	....	....	8.15
" " for 1893,	3.35	2.65	2.00	1.00	....	....	....	....	9.00
Rutherfordton,	82.95	68.51	13.21	18.35	5.00	10.00	....	....	198.02
Silver Creek,	3.00	....	....	....	....	1.00	....	....	4.00
Turkey Cove,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Stone Mountain,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
White Oak,	....	....	....	....	....	2.00	....	....	2.00
Whiteside Valley,	.90	3.00	.50	....	....	1.00	....	....	5.40
Zion Hill,	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Collections this Session,	11.05	....	....	5.56	....	....	....	....	17.61
Individuals,	....	1.25	....	....	....	4.50	....	....	5.75
GRAND TOTAL,	$183.92	$173.93	$53.31	$53.92	$5.00	$52.72	$11.25	$10.00	$544.10

We have examined the above report of A. L. Grayson Treasurer of the Green River Association, and his vouchers, and find that he has proper receipts for the amount received by him, $544.10.

M. H. JUSTICE.
T. C. SMITH.

All of which is respectfully submitted. A. L. GRAYSON, Treasurer.

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HELD WITH THE

CHURCH AT ROUND HILL,

IN

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October 3, 4, 5, 6, 1895.

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NEXT SESSION.

At Green River Church, 12 miles South of Rutherfordton, beginning Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1896.

PROCEEDINGS.

ROUND HILL BAPTIST CHURCH.

RUTHERFORD COUNTY, N. C., October 3rd, 1895.

The Green River Baptist Association met at Round Hill Baptist church at 11AM today in its fifty-fifth annual session. Elder C. B. Justice read St. John xiv, 1-14 and led us in prayer.

After singing "Am I soldier of the cross," Elder C. B. Justice preached the introductory sermon from St. John, xiv, 12.

Prayer: Elder M. M. Landrum leading.

The Association was welcomed by Elder H. D. Harrill, the pastor, in behalf of the membership of Round Hill church.

At 12:30 the Association adjourned one hour.

Benediction, Elder C. B. Justice.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. The Moderator read the 122nd Psalm.

Elder J. A. Rector of the Catawba Association lead the prayer.

The Moderator called the Association to order, and A. L. Grayson and Elder C. E. Gower were requested by the presiding officer to collect and read the letters from the churches, when the following were enrolled as the accredited messengers composing this Body:

BETHEL.—Elders J. C. Sorrels, A. B. Mashburn, and brethren J. J. Davis, J. W. Grayson, C. B. Morris, J. F. Morgan.

BETHLEHEM.—Augustus Bradley, N. C. Jones, E. A. Pendergrass.

BEULAH.—A. L. Pitman, John Culbreth.

BIG LEVEL.—N. T. Mills, J. H. Gibbs.

BILLS CREEK.—D. C. Brown, W. R. Taylor, P. C. Shitle, Jerry Jackson.

BRIDGEWATER.—W. P. Hemphill, J. C. Price.

CAMP CREEK.—John Alley, James A. Clements.

CATAWBA.—Elder G. W. Settlemire and brother M. A. Harvey.

CHERRY SPRING.—G. L. Fortune, T. W. Cowart.

CHIMNEY ROCK.—Not represented.

CLEAR CREEK.—Not represented.

COOPER'S GAP.—Barney Jackson, M. A. Searcy.

COLUMBUS.—Columbus Jones.

DYSARTSVILLE.—Elder J. R. Denton and brethren W. H. Taylor, G. C. Ellington.

GREEN'S CREEK.—G. C. Collins.

GREEN RIVER.—T. C. Page, T. P. Covington.

HALL TOWN.—J. M. Hall.

HARMONY GROVE.—G. M. Walton, A. P. Sorrels.

HENRY STATION.—Not represented.

MACEDONIA.—J. Ward, Henry Arrowood.

MARION.—Elder M. M. Landrum, Henry Huthsteiner, B. B. Price.

MILLS SPRING.—J. A. Rucker.

MONTFORD'S COVE.—J. D. Ledbetter, J. M. Stott.

MOUNTAIN CREEK.—A. L. Rucker, J. F. Edwards, John Parton, H. Portrum, C. M. Keeter, C. M. Lewis.

MOUNT VERNON.—J. C. Egerton, R. G. Freeman, Eddie Morgan, G. E. Erwin.

OLD FORT.—R. H. Moore, W. A. M. Gibson.

PINEY KNOB.—W. W. Sorrels, W. L. Bland.

PLEASANT GROVE.—N. C. Lovelace, E. L. Whiteside.

PLEASANT HILL.—C. C. Lovelace.

ROCK SPRING.—Barzilla Ledbetter, Marion Whiteside.

ROUND HILL.—L. L. Deck, Amos Nanney, J. C. Keeter, J. H. P. Stokes, I. P. Sorrels.

RUTHERFORDTON.—Elders C. B. Justice, H. D. Harrill, A. J. Hensley, and brethren A. L. Grayson, J. M. Toms, J. H. Callahan, Will T. Payseur.

SILVER CREEK.—I. S. Higgins, J. R. Williams.

STONE MOUNTAIN.—Represented by letter.

TURKEY COVE.—Not represented.

WALNUT GROVE.—Represented by church covenant, organization, and articles of faith—new church.

WHITESIDE VALLEY.—W. M. Whiteside, P. P. Parker.

ZION HILL.—Represented by letter.

Messengers present, 79.

On motion of Elder C. B. Justice, the Clerk was authorized to cast the ballot of the Association for Elder M. M. Landrum for Moderator.

Remarks by Elder M M. Landrum.

On motion, A. L. Grayson was instructed to cast the vote of the Association for A. L. Rucker for Clerk.

On motion, A. L. Rucker was requested to cast the vote of the Body for A. L. Grayson for Treasurer.

Under call for membership, the churnh at Walnut Grove in McDowell county, presented articles of faith, church covenant and organization, which were, on motion, referred to a committee consisting of R. H. Moore, C. B. Justice and H. D. Harrill.

On motion of R. H. Moore, adopted order of business of last year as follows:

Meet at 9AM. Spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises, Adjourn at 12M. Meet at 1PM. Adjourn at pleasure.

The Moderator announced:

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE—A. L. Grayson, HenryHuthsteiner, J. D. Ledbetter, T. C. Page,

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISES—Pastor and Deacons of Round Hill church.

Brethren B. S. Peterson, representing the North Carolina Baptist and J. C. Caddell, the Biblical Recorder, were recognized, and tendered the courtesies of the Association.

The following correspondents of the Associations named were recognized also, and invited to seats: Elder B. M. Bridges of the King's Mountain; Elder J. A. Rector of the Catawba; and Elder S. A. Bridges of the Sandy Run Association.

Elder C. B. Justice stated that in the absence of Elders Van Deventer, Willingham, Huffham and Mitchell, that he would, at their request, represent at the proper time, Foreign, Home and State Missions, and Ministerial Education.

On motion of Elder H. D. Harrill, the report on Periodicals will be made special order for 10AM, tomorrow. Committee

as follows: J. C. Caddell, C. E. Gower, B. S. Peterson.

A. L. Grayson, Treasurer, read condensed report as follows:

A. L. Grayson, Treasurer, submits the following condensed report of receipts up to the meeting of this Body.

State Missions,	$ 80.79
Foreign "	120.08
Home "	45.08
Ministerial Education	20.35
Orphanage	12.05
Sunday School Missions	1.00
Aged Ministers	11.80
Students Aid Fund	10.00
Total	$301.15

Money paid during this meeting will be added and complete report submitted, to auditing committee.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. GRAYSON, Treasurer.

October 3, 1895.

Adjourned to 9AM tomorrow.

Benediction by Elder C. E. Gower.

SECOND DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, Oct. 4th, 1895.

The Association met at 9AM. "We are gathering together," and "On Jordan's stormy banks I stand" were sung by choir.

Elder B. M. Bridges, using Isiah 55: 1-7 conducted the devotional exercises of the morning.

The Moderator requested that special prayer be offered for Bro. A. L Sorrels, who lies dangerously ill at his father's home near this place.

Elders S. A. Bridges and J. R. Denton assisted in the solemn services.

The Moderator called the Association to order at 9:30AM.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Invitations were extended to any messengers not present on yesterday and to others representing any of our denominational interests abroad to have their names enrolled.

Flder J. B. Boone, Supt. of the Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C., was recognized and tendered the usual courtesies.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

STATE OF RELIGION—Z. T. Whiteside, Z. V. Morris, A. L. Pitman, N. T. Mills, D. C. Brown.

STATE MISSIONS—J. C. Sorrels, Columbus Jones, M. A. Searcey, G. C. Collins, P. P. Covington.

HOME MISSIONS—H. D. Harrill, J. W. Stott, W. W. Sorrels, N. C. Lovelace, Barzilla Ledbetter.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—C. B. Justice, J. M. Toms, I. S. Higgins, J. A. Rucker.

SABBATH SCHOOLS—B. B. Price, W. M. Whiteside, A. B. Mashburn, N. C. Jones, W. P. Hemphill.

TEMPERANCE—H. Portrum, John Alley, M. A. Harvey, G. L. Fortune, W. H. Taylor.

EDUCATION—J. R. Denton, Z. T. Whiteside, A. P. Sorrels, J. W. Grayson, A. J. Hensley.

ORPHANAGE—B. S. Peterson, R. H. Moore, J. C. Price, C. M. Keeter, J. C. Egerton.

DECEASED MINISTERS—W. M. Whiteside, L. L. Deck, W. R. Taylor, C. C. Lovelace, Will T. Payseur.

AGED MINISTER'S RELIEF BOARD—A. J. Hensley, W. A. M. Gibson, J. J. Davis, J. M. Hall, John Parton.

NOMINATIONS TO STATE AND SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTIONS—T. C. Page, P. C. Shitle, C. B. Morris, R. G. Freeman, Amos Nanney.

HISTORY—A. L. Rucker, Amos Nanney, J. C. Keeter, J. F. Morgan, Eddie Morgan.

The special order, 10AM, having arrived, J. C. Caddell, made the following:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS—We believe that in proportion as our people are informed concerning our denominational work, just in that proportion will their zeal be heightened and their contributions enlarged.

This being true, we would urge that all of our people use every means possible for the obtaining of such aids as shall best help them in the intelligent discharge of their duty as church members.

The Biblical Recorder has for sixty years been the organ of our denomination. As it has grown in years it has likewise increased in interest and efficiency. We heartily recommend that all of our people, who can, take and read the paper.

We also recommend the North Carolina Baptist, Charity and Children, the Journal of Missions, and all other good literature, the object of which is the elevation and instruction of our people.

J. C. CADDELL,
C. E. GOWER, } Committee.
B. S. PETERSON,

On motion to adopt, J. C. Caddell, B. S. Peterson, J. B. Boone, J. R. Denton, J. C. Sorrels, and C. B. Justice spoke to the report when it was adopted.

The report on Walnut Grove church was read by C. B. Justice and adopted as follows:

The committee to whom you referred the church covenant articles of faith, and application for membership in this Association by the Walnut Grove church; having examined the articles of faith and church covenant of said church, and finding them orthodox and sound in the faith, recommend that the church be received into the Association.

R. H. MOORE,
C. B. JUSTICE,
H. D. HARRILL.

The church having been received was placed on the roll of churches composing the Green River Association.

The Clerk, by permission, made statements covering financial exhibit of minute fund of 1894. as follows:

RECEIPTS:

Report of Financial Committee of 1894,	$29.05
1894 Advertising,	10.00
1895 Marion church,	1.00
" Bridgewater,	1.00
" Old Fort,	50
" Individuals,	75
" S. S. Asso. Pleasant Grove church,	3.08
Total receipts,	$45.38

DISBURSEMENTS:

Jno. C. Tipton, Printing,	$41.40	
Asso. church letters Est.,	1.00	
		$42.40
Balance for services,		$ 2.98

B. S. Peterson read the report on

The Orphanage.

Your committee makes the following report:

Our Orphanage at Thomasville is one of the most important departments of all our great work. We cannot conceive of the great good that is, and that will be accomplished for the Master's Kingdom through this work. Waifs are being gathered from all over the State, and educated for the Master. There are now 114 at the Orphanage, and 30 more are asking for admittance. Brethren shall we help them? This is the great question.

B. S. PETERSON,
R. H. MOORE,
J. C. PRICE,
J. C. EGERTON,
C. M. KEETER,
} Committee.

On motion to adopt, B. S. Peterson, Supt. J. B. Boone, J. C. Caddell, C. E. Gower and M. M. Landrum spoke.

A cash collection amounting to $25.00 was taken and handed to brother Boone.

Special prayer was offered for A. L. Sorrels and family by C. B. Justice.

At 12:40 adjourned one hour.

Benediction by J. B. Boone.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 1:40PM, and was called to order by the Moderator.

J. R. Denton read the report on Education which was discussed by himself, Z. T. Whiteside and C. B. Justice.

L. L. Deck moved an amendment which was accepted by the committee.

The report as amended was adopted as follows:

Report on Education.

The committee believes that the first great need is general rudimentary education; secondly, good academic schools all over our country; thirdly, collegiate training at Wake Forest College, which we think is the peer of any college in the South; and lastly, the training of girls and young ladies in every phase of useful and elevating education. We owe much to our women, and our future welfare depends largely on their capacity and influence. We recommend that pastors preach at least one sermon and take at least one collection during the coming year for ministerial education in all their

churches. Respectfully submitted,

J. R. DENTON,
A. J. HENSLEY,
Z. T. WHITESIDE,
J. W. GRAYSON,
A. P. SORRELS.

The report of committee on aged ministers, was made by A. J. Hensley as follows:

Aged Ministers.

The Board of Relief for Aged Ministers, located at Durham, N. C., was recognized by the Green River Association in 1894 as one of the objects of our general care, and is now claiming our regular contributions. As we acknowledge said board as we do our Misssions, etc., we recommend that each church make at least one annual contribution for its support.

A. J. HENSLEY,
W. A. M. GIBSON,
J. J. DAVIS,
J. M. HALL,
JOHN PARTON,

On motion to adopt, M. M. Landrum, after calling C. B. Justice temporarily to the chair, spoke to the report. After a cash collection of $5.00 was taken for the object named in the report, it was adopted.

The report on History was read by A. L. Rucker, discussed by himself and J. R. Denton, and adopted as follows:

TO THE GREEN RIVER ASSOCIATION:—

DEAR BRETHREN; Article 10, Order of Business was abrogated at your annual session at Big Level church last year, and the following substituted therefor:

10. Ordered that this Association at this session, 1894, appoint a suitable man as Historian, whose business it shall be to collect such facts as he may be able to do in reference to our Church and Associational History, and report same annually until the same shall have been completed."

By reference to pages 16 and 17 of the published proceedings of your body last year, it will be seen that I was appointed to fill the position provided for in article 10, above quoted. This carries with it necessarily considerable trouble and expense. No provision, whatever, was made for the latter, and the former has not been assumed. For this reason, nothing has been done or attempted. It remains with you to

devise some means for the prosecution of this important work, or, if thought best, to defer it until such time as your combined judgment may think proper.

A. L. RUCKER, Historian.

The committee on Associational History beg leave to supplement the report of your Historian herewith submitted, by recommending:

That each church in this Associational appoint, as early as practicable, a suitable man in each church, whose business it shall be to collect such facts as pertain to such churches respectively, ond submit same for approval in conference at some regular meeting of the church. After the same shall have been approved by the church, let the data be forwarded to the historian of the Association to be copied into a book; and in this permanent form it can be preserved among the archives of the Association until such time as may be adjudged proper for publication.

A. L. RUCKER,
AMOS NANNEY,
J. C. KEETER,
J. F. MORGAN,
EDDIE MORGAN,

The report on Deceased Ministers was read by W. M. Whiteside, discussed by himself and adopted as follows:

Deceased Ministers.

We your committee on deceased ministers are sorry to report that since we last met, the Lord in his allwise Providence has called from our midst our dearly beloved brother, Elder J. H. Taylor.

We are also sorry to report that our dear brother, Elder W. F. Sorrels, formerly a member of this body, has been called away amid a life of seemingly increasing usefulness.

We recommend that a committee be appointed to write suitable notices of their lives and their labors for publication in the annual minutes of this Association.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. WHITESIDES,
WILL T. PAYSEUR,
W. R. TAYLOR,
L. L. DECK,
C. C. LOVELACE.

Committee recommended was appointed as follows:
H. D. Harrill, C. B. Justice, Z. T. Whitesides,

On motion of C. B. Justice adjonrned until 9AM, tomorrow. Benediction, J. R. Denton.

THIRD DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, October 5, 1895.

The Association met at 9AM. After singing "Are you ready", etc., the Moderator read xxiii Psalm and conducted the devotional exercises.

Prayer was offered by J. B. Boone and G. W. Settlemire, at 9:30 the minutes of the previous day were read, amended and approved.

The roll of messengers was called, and the names of those not present at any of the sessions were ordered to be stricken out.

During the call, when Stone Mountain church was reached, a motion was made to strike out the messenger's name representing that church because of his complications with the whiskey traffic. The motion prevailed.

J. B. Boone preached at the stand at 10 o'clock.

Temperance.

We your committee on Temperance beg leave to submit the following report:

We find by examination of the church letters that two churches are carrying out the temperance resolution of this body at its session at Bethel in 1890; two others are trying to enforce it.

By inquiry among delegates we learn that ten others are trying to enforce the resolution, while twenty churches make no report upon the subject, and we have no way of finding out their standing on temperance. We hope they are using their influence and whatever power they possess to drive from our land and country Satan's most powerful weapon to defeat and prostrate the cause of our blessed Redeemer, and with which he is destroying thousands of souls for time and eternity.

We are creditably informed that some of the churches are retaining in fellowship members who are selling grain and fruit to distillers.

We would recommend a place in church letters for temperance report. We would further recommend that the pastors

of the churches preach at least one temperance sermon each year to their respective churches. Respectfully submitted,

H. PORTRUM,
W. H. TAYLOR,
M. A. HARVEY,
G. L. FORTUNE.

On motion to adopt, H. Portrum, J. C. Sorrels, W. M. Whiteside, B. B. Price, J. R. Denton, J. A. Rector, G. M. Walton and L. L. Deck, addressed the body. J. R. Denton moved that the churches known to be guilty of retaining members who openly violate the temperance resolutions of 1890 be denied fellowship in the Green River Association.

C. B. Justice and J. M. Stott spoke to the motion, when C. B. Justice offered the following as a substitute to the motion.

Whereas, This Association has information that some of the churches composing the body, viz: Mills Spring, Cooper's Gap, Stone Mountain, and Montford's Cove, are tolerating their members in the violation of the temperance resolution of this Association passed at its session at Bethel. Now, therefore, resolved, That unless by the next session of this body, these churches rid themselves of these evils the Association will withdraw its fellowship from them.

C. B. JUSTICE.

C. B. Justice, H. D. Harrill and B. S. Peterson spoke to the substitute which was adopted after which the report was adopted.

B. B. Price made report on

Sunday Schools.

We are glad that there has been a considerable increase in the Sunday Shool cause in this Association during the past year; and also, that the cause in the State has kept pace with the other interests of our denomination; but we regret to say that a large majority of our church members, especially the parents, do not attend Sunday School.

Realizing that the future of our church depends largely upon the Sunday School training of our boys and girls, we earnestly urge all Christians to attend and work in the Sunday School.

We think the Sunday School Association is a great means of stimulating interest in the work, and ask that all the churches send delegates each session.

We recommend that the Colportage work begun by the S. S. Association be continued, and that all our schools use purely Baptist literature as helps to the Bible, but not in place of it.

We also recommend that all officers and teachers be Christians whose lives comport with their professions.

Respectfully submitted,

B. B. PRICE,
W. M. WHITESIDE,
A. B. MASHBURN,
N. C. JONES,
W. P. HEMPHILL.

On motion to adopt, the report was discussed by B.B. Price, and J. C. Sorrels.

W. M. Whiteside presented the subject of Colportage by authority of the Sunday School Association.

The author read the following:

RESOLVED, That a committee of three be appointed, whose duty it shall be to secure, if possible, a Colporter; and ascertain at what salary he can be employed; and the best means to secure the funds necessary to pay his salary, and furnish him with the necessary literature. C. B. JUSTICE.

The resolution was adopted. The committee, J. C. Price, H. Portrum and J. C. Sorrels made no report, leaving the resolution inoperative.

The Sunday School Report was adopted.

At 12:30 adjourned one hour.

Benediction—M. M. Landrum.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator at 1:40.

J. A. Rector preached at the stand.

Z. T. Whiteside made report on

State of Religion.

We, your committee, find by examination of the church letters that the number of additions by baptism has been one hundred and twenty—not so large as last year, but the spiritual condition is good. The numbers added do not always indicate the true spiritual condition of a church. "Paul may plant and Apollos may water, but God alone can give the increase."

Many of the churches have been greatly revived—Peace and harmony prevail.

Z. T. WHITESIDE,
D. C. BROWN,
N. T. MILLS,
Z. V. MORRIS,
A. L. PITMAN. } Committee.

This report was adopted without discussion.

J. B. Blanton, of the Sandy Run Association, was recognized and welcomed.

The following report as amended by motion of L. L. Deck, was read and discussed by C. B. Justice.

Foreign Missions.

Under the head of Missions is included all the work of preaching the gospel to the destitute of the world, whether it be in North Carolina, the United States, or in heathen lands. The Scriptural arguments that enforce one, enforce all, and an argument in support of one, must necessarily support the others.

As a matter of convenience, and to aid in the collection and distribution of funds the three departments:

1. State Missions, or the preaching of the gospel to the destitute in North Carolina.

2. Home Missions, or the preaching of the gospel to the foreign population, the negroes, the destitute among our own population within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, and to the inhabitants of the Island of Cuba.

3. Foreign Missions, or the preaching of the gospel to the heathen, also to inhabitants of Papal countries, such as Italy and Mexico.

The Southern Baptist Convention is composed of delegates and representatives from the various churches and associations within its bounds. The Foreign Mission work of the Convention has been entrusted to a committee of discreet, prudent, christian men. This Committee is known as the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and is entrusted with the care and oversight of the entire work of Foreign Missions:—appointing missionaries, assigning their fields, fixing their salaries superintending the collection of contributions, and paying their salaries.

At each session of the Southern Baptist Convention this Board makes a full report of all the work done during the preceeding year.

"The Southern Baptist Convention was organized in Augusta, Ga., in 1845. At that meeting the Foreign Mission Board was appointed. During the fifty years of its existence 319 missionaries have been sent out, and $1,814,800 given for the work.

Missions are now sustained in China, Africa, Itialy, Brazil, Mexico and Japan. The report of the Foreign Mission Board to the Convention which met in Washington, May 10 to 14, 1895, showed the following statistics:

CANTON, CHINA, MISSIONS: (began 1845) 13 missionaries, 22 native helpers, 8 churches, 866 members, 82 baptisms, 114 schools, $1,683.65 contributed.

SHANGHAI MISSIONS: (1847) 9 missionaries, 2 native helpers 3 churches, 110 members, 2 baptisms, 2 schools, contributions $74.00.

CHINKIANG MISSION: (1880) 7 missionaries, 2 churches, 17 members, 10 schools, $206.16 contributed.

NORTH CHINA MISSION: (1860) 12 missionaries,3 churches,138 members, 34 baptisms, 3 schools, $53.54 contributed.

In Africa there were 7 missionaries, 6 native helpers, 4 churches, 239 members, 67 baptisms, $214.45 contributions.

ITALIAN MISSION—ROME, FLORENCE, and other towns: (1870) 3 missionaries from the United States, 28 native preachers and colporters, 18 churches, 353 members, 28 baptisms, $357.25 contributions.

IN BRAZIL—Bahai and vicinity: (1882) 4 missionaries, 3 native helpers, 5 churches, 297 members, 36 baptisms.

RIO AND VICINITY: (1883) 6 missionaries, 2 native helpers, 5 churches, 119 members, 14 baptisms, $1,518.50 contributions.

PERNAMBUCO: (1889) 2 missionaries, 61 members, 28 baptisms, 1 church, $200 contributions.

CAMPOS: (1890) 2 missionaries, 1 native helper, 5 churches, 133 members, 55 baptisms, contributions $320.

MEXICO: (1880) 20 missionaries, 19 native helpers, 1,120 members, 296 baptisms, 3 schools, contributions $1,817.38.

JAPAN: (1889) 6 missionaries, 5 native helpers, 1 school,

40 members, 9 baptisms, $20.74 contributions, making a total of 85 churches, 3493 members, 581 baptisms and $6458.72 contributions.

New fields are opening and many stand ready to go. We or others will tabulate later the work of the year, but we are working out the figures now day by day. We need more men and women in our churchs who will give time and effort to the work.

Not only is money needed, but effort to get the churches—the body of Christ—alive to this great work, which He has left us. Shame and fear hinder some. May the love of Christ so abound as to make us zealous in this great work of saving souls."

At the last session of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Foreign Mission Board asked for a certain amount of money with which to carry on the work of the present year. This amount the convention agrees to raise and have asked the Green River Association to raise $300.00 of this amount. It will be easy for us to raise this amount, provided the brethren generally, take hold of the matter, and do something like their duty. We will try to raise it. We must do one of three things:—We must feed and cloth some one while they preach the gospel to the heathen, or go, and in person preach it our selves, or else disobey the Lord. Which will it be? We will this day record the answer. On foreign fields the gains by baptisms were 16 2-3 per cent. The contributions average a fraction over $1.91 per member.

C. B. JUSTICE,
J. A. RUCKER,
I. S. HIGGINS.

The report was adopted and the following pledges secured for:

Foreign Missions.

Bills Creek, $5.00; Big Level, $2.00; Cooper's Gap, $3.00; Columbus, $2.00; Green's Creek, $3.00; H. D. Harrill for Green River, Pleasant Grove and elsewhere, $20.00; Montford's Cove, $5.00; Piney Knob, $2.00; Pleasant Hill, $10.00; C. B. Justice for Rutherfordton, Mountain Creek and Round Hill, $150.00; Z. T. Whiteside for Rock Spring and Whiteside Valley, $10.00; J. C. Sorrels for Bethel, Bethlehem, and elsewhere, $40.00; G. W. Settlemire on mission field, 10.00;

Dysartsville, $2.00; Harmony Grove, $2.00; Camp Creek, $.1.00; Macedonia, $1.00; Mount Vernon, $10.00; M. M. Landrum for Bridgewater, Marion and Old Fort, $60.00; M. Hall, $1.00; Silver Creek, $5.00; Mills Spring, $2.00. Total, $344.00.

H. D. Harrill read the following report and upon motion to adopt, spoke to it.

Home Missions.

Your committee on Home Missions would report that in our opinion, the work of the Home Mission Board is a work of great importance to us; first, from the fact that they occupy an important field; secondly, on account of the great work they are doing. They are doing much good among the Foreign population in the states of Louisiana, Florida, Arkansas, Texas; and among the whites and Indians of Indian Territory, besides the great results obtained in the Island of Cuba.

Great things are being accomplished in the name of the Lord Jesus. The Baptists are not realizing greater results from any department of their work than that of the Home Mission Board. Therefore, let us continue the good work with increased contributions and earnest prayer. We recommend that this Association try to raise, during the coming year, at least $100.00 for this object. Respectfully,

H. D. HARRILL,
J. M. STOTT,
N. C. LOVELACE.
W. W. SORRELS.

The report was adopted.

The following was read by J. C. Sorrels, discussed by himself, G. W. Settlemire, and G. R. Walton, as follows:

Report on State Missions.

We know the Lord has blessed this work and will still bless it, for it is so Christ like, and is in accordance with this command, "Go ye." In obedience to this command we miss doing what we could do. Elder G. W. Settlemire, who has given his whole time to the work, reports as follows: Churches supplied, 4; out stations, 3; sermons preached, 178; protracted meetings, 4; conversions, 25; baptized, 16. State of the churches—Cherry Spring, Catawba and Henry Station, good; Zion Hill on the decline. Received on sal-

ary, $25.00. Elder J. C. Sorrels, who gave one-half of his time up to April 1st, and one-fourth of it since that date, reports as follows:

Sermons preached, 42; families visited, 44; protracted meetings, 2; Conversions, 10; baptisms, 12; houses built, 1; value of church property, $400.00. Elder M. M. Landrum, who gives one-fourth of his time to Bridgewater, reports: Regular services, Saturday and Sabbath in each month. Twelve have been added by letter. Expects to hold a series of meetings with the church soon, and believes it to be one of the gems of this body. The outlook is encouraging. "Pray for its success." Brethren let us continue this work and enlarge it. We are well able to possess this land.

J. C. Sorrels,
Columbus Jones.
M. A. Searcy.
G. C. Collins.
T. P. Covington.

The report was amended by recommending that we plan our work for the coming year upon a basis of two hundred and fifty dollars for this object, and the report, as amended, was adopted.

The report of Finance Committee was presented through A. L. Grayson, as follows:

Finance.

The Finance Committee reports $29.15 sent up by the churches for minutes. We recommend that this amount be supplemented to an amount sufficient to print the minutes, and an allowance of $10.00 to the Clerk for his services.

A. L. Grayson,
T. C. Page,
J. D. Ledbetter,
Henry Huthsteiner.

After remarks by several brethren, and a cash collection of $5.87 to supplement the fund, the report was adopted.

Marion, Montford's Cove, Pleasant Hill and Green River churches were all put in nomination for the next session of the Association. The ballot was taken and the tellers,—J. R. Denton, C. M. Lewis and N. C. Jones,—reported a majority

of the votes in favor of Green River church, and it was so ordered.

Introductory.

The committee report that Elder M. M. Landrum be elected to preach the introductory sermon at next session at 11 o'clock, Elder J. C. Sorrels, alternate.

L. L. DECK,
T. C. PAGE.
C. M. LEWIS,
B. B. PRICE,

The report was adopted.

A resolution by L. L. Deck proposing certain changes in the Constitution was lost.

On motion of H. Portrum the districts into which this Association has been divided are abolished.

Nominations.

Your committee on Nominations submit the following:

To THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION—Elder H. D. Harrill; Elder M. M. Landrum, Alternate.

To THE STATE BAPTIST CONVENTION—Elders J. R. Denton, H. D. Harrill, C. B. Justice, M. M. Landrum, J. C. Sorrels, Z. T. Whiteside, C. E. Gower, A. J. Hensley and Brethren L. L. Deck, H. Portrum, A. L. Rucker, R. H. Moore, and R. G. Freeman.

T. C. PAGE,
AMOS NANNEY,
P. C. SHITLE,
C. B. MORRIS,

The nominations were confirmed.

Thanks.

RESOLVED, That we tender the usual vote of thanks to the members of Round Hill church and the community for their unbounded hospitality in entertaining the delegates and visitors to this session of the Association. R. H. MOORE.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of A. L. Grayson, the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools was continued for next year.

The Board is as follows:

CHURCHES.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICES.
Beulah,	Joshua Pitman	Mills Spring, N. C
Big Level,	T. J. Cowart	Poplar Grove, "
Bills Creek,	J. F. Logan	Ayr "
Chimney Rock,	W. M. Henderson	Chimney Rock, "
Cooper's Gap,	H. K. Corn,	Dimsdale, "
Columbus	Gray B. Hampton	Landrum, "
Green's Creek,	J. J. Green	Collinsville, "
Green River,	T. C. Page	Poore's Ford, "
Montford's Cove	L. D. Hemphill	Otter Creek "
Piney Knob,	J. F. Bland	Cuba, "
Pleasant Grove	H. M. Whiteside	Rutherfordton, "
Rock Spring,	C. B. Justice	Poplar Grove, "
Rutherfordton	A. L. Grayson	Rutherfordton, "
"	W. L. Lynch	" "
"	T. C. Smith	" "
"	H. D. Harrill	" "
"	M. McBrayer	" "
"	J. M. Toms,	" "
Silver Creek	J. S. McCraw	Mills' Spring, "
White Oak	J. A. Thorn	Mills' Spring, "
Whiteside Valley	John Thompson	Grassy Knob, "
Bethel	Z. Z. Morris	Nealsvile, "
Bethlehem,	A. W. Gilliam	Old Fort, "
Bridgewater	J. C. Price	Cuba, "
Camp Creek	B. Biggerstaff	Trio, "
Catawba	M. A. Harvey	Old Fort, "
Clear Creek	C. P Rader	Greenlee, "
Cherry Spring	W. J. Gilbert	Old Fort, "
Dysartsville	W. H. Taylor	Dysartsville, "
Harmony Grove	W. S. Freeman	Rocky Pass, "
Hall Town	Johnathan Hall	Marion, "
Macedonia	J. M. Watkins	Dysartsville, "
Marion	Wm. Blanton	Marion, "
Mountain Creek	M. B. Flack	Cuba, "
Mount Vernon	N. J. Rollins	Rutherfordton, "
Old Fort	R. H. Moore,	Old Fort, "
Round Hill	L. L. Deck	Thermal City, "
Zion Hill	F. Ledford	Marion, "
Turkey Cove	R. A. Hollifield	Turkey Cove, "

It was ordered that the collection tomorrow be applied to State missions.

J. M. Toms and T. C. Smith were appointed to audit the Treasurer's itemized report.

C. B. Justice, A. L. Grayson and A. J. Hensley were authorized to revise minutes of this day's proceedings.

Prayer was offered by H. D. Harrill, and the Association

adjourned to meet with the church at Green River on Thursday before the first Lord's day in October, A. D. 1895.

ADIN L. RUCKER, Clerk. M. M. LANDRUM, Moderator.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

The funeral services of Brother A. L. Sorrels were held from the stand in the forenoon.

H. D. Harrill read Job vii, and led the prayer.

The sermon from II Samuel xii, 23, was followed by prayer, C. B. Justice leading.

Afternoon.

M. M, Landrum preached the missionary sermon in the house and J. C. Sorrels preached at the stand at the same hour from St. Matthew x, 29.

At the close of these services a cash collection was taken, amounting to $20.25 to be applied to colportage work under the auspices of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools of this Association.

Thus closed the 5th annual session of the Green River Baptist Association.

The weather was beautiful, the hospitality all that could be desired, the session harmonious, music good, and the attendance unusually large. CLERK.

ECHOES FROM THE CHURCHES.

As Given in their Several Letters to this Association.

BETHEL—We have had a protracted meeting which continued eight days. Five conversions and the church greatly revived. Pray for us."

BETHLEHEM—The church has kept up a regular prayer meeting during the year, before each service on Saturday, which has been a great help to them. A week's meeting held resulting in eight additions to their membership. "Pray forus.'

BEULAH—"Pray for us."

BIG LEVEL—A fifteen days meeting held; thirteen additions by baptism; enforce temperance resolutions; spiritual condition, good.

CATAWBA—Revival lasting eight days, eight conversions.

CHERRY SPRING—"We have had a glorious meeting this year. Brethren pray for us."

COOPER'S GAP—Has had no pastor but regular preaching by Elders W. H. Logan, Elbert Jackson and others. They have under consideration a new house of worship, which, when completed, will cost over $400.00.

COLUMBUS—Has had no revival and asks our prayers.

DYSARTSVILLE—"We think two months ample time to get the minutes out and delivered. We adhere strictly to the temperance principles and do not think any church is in accord with the scripture that does not."

GREEN RIVER—Want the Association in 1896 and gets it. They are trying to carry out the temperance resolution.

HALL TOWN—No revival, but hoping for one soon. Brethren pray for us.

MACEDONIA—Had a nine day's meeting in August; church and people greatly revived. "Pray for us."

MARION—Wants the next session of the Association but fails to get it.

MILLS SPRING—Formerly White Oak, has changed its name. A series of meetings held in August; three additions. "Pray for us."

MONTFORD'S COVE—Fails to get the next session of the Association.

MOUNTAIN CREEK—A series of meetings in August resulted in 20 additions by baptisms. The largest death ratio (7) in the history of the church for any one year is reported.

PLEASANT GROVE—Reports two Sunday Schools, and a revival in August, which has greatly edified, strengthened and built up the church.

PLEASANT HILL.—Good meeting in August; 17 additions by baptisms; paint paid for, for painting new house. They must wait for the Association, too.

ROCK SPRINGS.—We have paid during the year $4.00 on the missionary debt, of the S. B. Convention, and one dollar to the Albemarle church for building purposes.

STONE MOUNTAIN—Reports two Sunday Schools.

WHITESIDE VALLEY.—In good spiritual condition, and trying to carry out the temperance resolution.

CONSTITUTION.

This Association shall be known as the GREEN RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of Baptist churches whose articles of faith and constitutious are in harmony with those of the Association.

Each church shall be allowed a representation of two delegates, in addition to their regular ordained ministers, and every church of over fifty members shall be allowed one additional delegate for every fifty additional members.

The primary objects of the Association shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College, to educate young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among the people of the State: to support the Gospel in the destitute portions of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the Gospel to the nations that have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel; to encourage the organization and support of Baptist Sunday Scools, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in all its departments of labor.

This Association shall meet annually on Thursday before the first Sabbath in October.

The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Association, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

The Moderator shall preside or fill the chair, by calling some member of the body thereto, and enforce order in accordance with Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

The clerk shall record the proceedings, conduct the correspondence, and publish and distribute the Minutes.

The Treasurer shall receive all funds contributed by the churches or individuals to the objects of the Association, receipting the contributors for the same, and forward all con-

tributions to their proper destination, and make a full report of all receipts and disbursements to the Association at its annual sessions, and on retiring from his office turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

There shall be appointed by the Association at each session a Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, consisting of one member from each church belonging to the Association and several other brethren living in Rutherfordton or its immediate vicinity, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, which during the intervals between the meetings of the Association shall have charge of the various interests and objects fostered by the Association, and shall encourage the churches to give liberally thereto; and shall make a full report of its work, including such suggestions relative thereto as it may think advisable, to the Association at its annual sessions.

The President, or in case of his death or disqualification, any three members of the Board, may call a meeting thereof.

This Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives present voting in the affirmative.

ASSOCIATION COVENANT.

ARTICLE 1. We believe in one only and true God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost—and these are one in substance, and equal in power and glory.

ART. 2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

ART. 3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

ART. 4. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in, by his own free will and ability.

ART. 5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only through the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

ART. 6. We believe the saints shall persevere in grace, and that they never shall finally fall away.

ART. 7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper

are ordinances instituted by Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects thereof.

ART. 8. We believe immersion is the only spiritual mode of baptism.

ART. 9. We believe that no person has a right to administer the ordinances but such as are regularly called and qualified thereto.

ART. 10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment; that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting, and the joys of the righteous eternal.

ART. 11. We, the members of the Green River Baptist Association, agreeing to the above Articles of Faith, do, for and in behalf of the churches which we represent, covenant and agree, and give ourselves up to each other in church and Christian fellowship, in order to keep up the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace, and to assist each other in in all matters of distress, and to pray for each other's prosperity.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1st. Fix time of meeting and adjourning.

2nd. Call for messengers present without letters from their churches.

3rd. Call for application for membership in this body.

4th. Appoint committees on Preaching and Finance.

5th. Recognize, in their official capacity, any present who may represent general denominational interests.

6th. Call for correspondents, renewing the call at the opening of each morning session.

7th. Appoint committees on State of Religion, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Sabbath Schools, Temperance, Education, Orphanage, Deceased Ministers, Aged Ministers, Nominations State and Southern Conventions, urging the reports as soon as possible.

8th. Miscellaneous business.

9th. Ordered: That this Association, at this session—1894—appoint a suitable man as Historian, whose business it shall be to collect such facts as he may be able to do, in reference to our church and associational history, and report same annually, until the same shall have been completed.

10th. Give an opportunity to present the claims of Foreign

Home and State Missions, and Orphanage, with any other general interest supported by this body.

11th. Fix time and place of next meeting, and appoint the introductory preacher and alternate; also the minister to preach the missionary sermon.

12th. Arrange general (or union) meetings.

13th. Appoint correspondents to other bodies.

14th. Call for reports of committees.

15th. Elect delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

16th Elect Executive Board, provided for in Constitution.

17th. Arrange for printing, distributing Minutes and paying Clerk.

18th. Adjourn.

PASTORS AND CLERKS AND SABBATH OF PREACHING.

	CHURCHES.	Sabbath of Preaching.	PASTORS.	POSTOFFICES.	CLERKS.	POSTOF
1	Bethel.....	2	J. C. Sorrels.....	Nealsville, McDowell county, N. C.	E. G. Goforth....	Nealsville, McDow
2	Bethlehem,.....	1	" "	" " " "	L. A. Gentry.....	Old Fort, "
3	Beulah, ...	2	C. C. Case.....	Columbus, Polk county. "	A. L. Pitman.....	Landrums, Spartanl
4	Big Level,.....	4	A. T. Jones.....	Swains, Spartanburg county, S. C.	T. M. Ruppe.....	Turner's, Polk
5	Bills Creek,.....	1	Elbert Jackson...	Turner's, Polk " N. C.	Jno. F. Logan....	Ayr, Rutherford
6	Bridgewater.....	2	M. M. Landrum..	Marion, McDowell " "	J. C. Price.....	Gilkey, "
7	Camp Creek.....	3	W. H. McClure...	Sunshine, Rutherford " "	I. O. Clements....	Trio, "
8	Catawba.	1	G. W. Settlemire.	Old Fort, McDowell " "	W. A. M. Gibson.	Old Fort McDowell
9	Cherry Spring....	4	" "	" " " "	G. L. Fortune....	" "
10	*ChimneyRock1894	2	Richard Hudgins.	Bat Cave, Henderson " "	W. M. Henderson.	Chimney Rock,Ruth
11	* Clear Creek 1892	4	A. J. Hensley....	Rocky Pass, McDowell " "	A. Silver.....	Old Fort, McDowel
12	Columbus	3	O. C. Barton.....	Gowansville, Spartanb'g " S. C.	N. B. Hampton...	Columbus, Polk
13	Cooper's Gap,....	3	No pastor.....	Preaching at regular time.....	W. F. F. Brown..	Dinsdale, "
14	Dysartsville.....	3	B. B. Harris.....	Dysartsville, McDowell county, N.C.	J. R. Denton.....	Dysartsville, McDo
15	Green's Creek,....	3	S. A. Bridges.....	Forest City Rutherford " "	G. P. Green.....	Collinsville, Polk
16	Green River,.....	2	H. D. Harrill.....	" " " "	J. I. Ridings.....	Poor's Ford, Ruther
17	Hall Town.....	4	A. B. Mashburn..	Nealsville, McDowell " "	J. A. Hendley....	Marion, McDowell
18	Harmony Grove..	4	J. R. Denton.....	Dysartsville, " " "	A. P. Sorrels.....	Bridgewater, Burk
19	*HenryStation1894	.....	G. W. Settlemire.	Old Fort, " " "	E. H. Hilliard....	Round Knob, McDo
20	Macedonia.....	4	B. B. Harris.....	Dysartsville, " " "	B. E. Watkins....	Nealsville, "
21	Marion.....	1 & 4	M. M. Landrum..	Marion, " "	B. B. Price.....	Marion, "
22	Mills Spring.....	3	A. T. Jones.....	Swain's Spartanburg " S. C.	J. R. Foster.....	Mills Spring, Polk
23	Montford's Cove..	2	T. J. Moss.....	Forest City, Rutherford " N. C.	J. W. Morgan....	Otter Creek, Ruthe
24	Mountain Creek..	3	C. B. Justice....	Rutherfordton,Rutherf'd" "	H. Portrum.....	Rutherfordton,Ruth
25	Mount Vernon....	2	C. E. Gower.....	Lincolnton, Lincoln " "	Miller L. Wilson.	Logan's Store,
26	Old Fort	5	M. M. Landrum..	Marion, McDowell " "	W. M. Mashburn.	Old Fort, McDowel
27	Piney Knob,.....	2	Z. D. Harrill.....	Ellenboro, Rutherford " "	J. B. Elliott.....	Cuba, Rutherford
28	Pleasant Grove...	4	H. D. Harrill.....	Forest City, " " "	A. F. Morgan....	Otter Creek, "
29	Pleasant Hill.....	1	C. B. Justice.....	Rutherfordton, " " "	M. B. Koon.....	Mack, "
30	Rock Spring,.....	2	Z. T. Whiteside...	Uree, " " "	A. S. Whiteside...	Ayr, "
31	Round Hill.....	1	H. D. Harril.....	Forest City, " " "	J. D. Morris.....	Union Mills, "
32	Rutherfordton....	4	C. B. Justice.....	Rutherfordton, " " "	T. C. Smith.....	Rutherfordton,"
33	Silver Creek.....	4	J. C. Sorrels.....	Nealsville, McDowell " "	H. P. Arledge....	Mills Spring, Polk
34	Stone Mountain...	3	T. K. Brown.....	Black Mountain, " " "	C. M. Nanney....	Stone Mountain McI
35	*Turkey Cove 1892	2	J. C. Sorrels.....	Bridgewater. Burke " "	W. A. Buchanan.	Armstrong, "
36	Walnut Grove...	.....	" "	Nealsville, McDowell " "	James Brown....	Ashford, "
37	Whiteside Valley.	4	Z. T. Whiteside..	Uree, Rutherford " "	W. M. Whiteside.	Poplar Grove, Polk
38	Zion Hill.....	2	G. W. Settlemire.	Old Fort, McDowell " "	J. H. Reel.....	Craggy, McDowell

* Given in the years named—Not represented since.

STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL TABLE.

STATISTICS.							CHURCH EXPENSES.						CONTRIBUTIONS.							
Restored.	Dism'd by Let'r	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Pastors' Salaries	Incidental expenses.	Poor and other objects.	Minute fund.	Buildings, other objects and repairs.	Total.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign M'ssions	Education.	Sunday Schools and other objects.	Orphanage.	Total.	Grand Total.
4	6	4	4	114	172	286	$ 100 00	$ 12 00	.....	$ 1 15	$ 26 00	$ 139 15	$ 11 95	$ 25	$ 13 05	$ 1 60	$ 10 25	$ 50	$ 37 60	$ 176 75
..	1	2	..	43	68	111	50 00	.....	.....	1 00	13 47	63 47	2 00	.....	3 21	.....	.....	1 35	6 56	70 03
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1	2	4	1	41	62	103	37 00	1 25	.....	85	.....	49 10	1 75	72	3 00	1 75	5 90	.....	13 12	62 22
2	9	2	1	26	97	123	20 00	.....	.....	1 10	.....	21 10	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	23 10
..	1	1	2	13	16	29	75 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	76 00	5 00	3 00	10 00	2 00	5 00	.....	25 00	101 00
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Represented by letter.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions	Home Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Aged Ministers.	Total.
Beulah	$ 1 75	$	$	$	$	$	$ 1 75
Big Level	1 75	3 00	1 30	.....	1 75	.....	7 80
Bill's Creek	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Bethel	11 95	13 05	25	50	1 60	2 25	29 60
Bethelehem	2 00	3 21	.....	1 55	.....	.....	6 76
Bridgewater	20 00	11 68	4 68	.....	2 00	7 45	45 86
Chimney Rock	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Columbus	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Cooper's Gap	.....	2 17	.....	.....	1 25	.....	3 42
Camp Creek	1 00	85	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 85
Cherry Spring	.....	3 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 60
Catawba	.....	1 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25
Clear Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dysartsville	62	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 62
Green's Creek	2 00	1 56	.....	.....	1 00	.....	4 56
Green River	4 00	1 50	1 00	.....	4 27	.....	10 77
Hall Town	.....	.....	.....	1 10	.....	.....	1 10
Henry Station	.....	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	80
Harmony Grove	.....	53	1 15	.....	1 00	.....	2 68
Montford's Cove	.....	.....	3 00	.....	1 00	.....	4 00
Marion	13 35	14 00	12 50	8 85	.....	3 35	52 05
Macedonia	.....	2 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	3 00
Mountain Creek	13 10	13 45	5 65	.....	5 65	.....	37 85
Mt. Vernon	5 88	6 70	10 00	.....	.....	.....	22 58
Old Fort	14 45	3 29	1 86	.....	.....	.....	19 60
Piney Knob	1 00	5 00	.....	1 68	1 00	.....	8 68
Pleasant Grove	.....	1 03	2 04	.....	5 00	.....	8 07
Pleasant Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Round Hill	2 20	5 05	1 15	3 15	.....	.....	11 55
Rock Spring	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Rutherfordton	25 00	67 97	34 55	3 00	6 00	1 00	137 52
Silver Creek	1 00	1 00	1 17	.....	1 00	.....	4 17
Stone Mountain	.....	50	50	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Turkey Cove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mill's Spring	1 00	1 00	1 00	53	50	.....	4 03
Whiteside Valley	1 71	3 25	1 00	.....	.....	.....	5 96
Zion Hill	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
North Cove	.....	1 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 60
Black's Sch'l house	4 50	3 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	10 50
Individuals	.....	.....	.....	50	2 50	.....	3 00
Collections	.....	.....	.....	25 35	1 50	5 00	31 85
For other objects	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00
Total	$133 26	$183 04	$86 80	$46 21	$38 02	$19 05	$517 38

We have examined the above reports, and the vouchers of A. L. Grayson, Treasurer of the Green River Association, and find that he has proper receipts for the amount he reports.—$517.38.

J. M. Toms, T. C. Smith, } Auditing Com.

The following amounts are included in the above reports.

The Woman's Mission Society of Marion church contributed for State Missions, $3.35; for Foreign Missions, $2.00; for Home Missions, $3.00, and special for Cuba, $4.50. The "Sunbeams" of that church raised for the Baptist Orphanage, $1.35.

The Woman's Mission Society of Rutherfordton church contributed for Foreign Missions, $10.21; for Home Missions, $10.21, and sent a box of clothing to a Home Missionary worth $12.00.

The item of eleven dollars reported for other objects, was given by Rev. C. C. Gower for Student's Aid Fund of Louisville $10.00 and by Rntherfordton church $1.00 for Sunday School Missions.

The collections on Sunday, October 6th, for Bible Colportage, amounting to $20.25 is on hand ready for purchasing Bibles and Testaments, as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Albert L. Grayson, Treas.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	POSTOFFICES.	No. of officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Total.	Papers taken.	CONTRIBUTIONS. School expenses	Other objects.	Total.
Bethel	B. E. Watkins	Nealsvile, N. C	8	65	73	....	$	$ 8 00	$ 8 00
Bethlehem,	A. W. Gilliam	Old Fort, "	6	40	46	....	.....	.....	.....
Big Level,	Jerry Jackson	Poplar Grove, "	7	51	58	102	5 00	90	5 90
Bills Creek, 1894	Wm. Flynn	Tyger "	7	40	47	....	.....	.....	.....
Bridgewater	.....	.....	6	60	66	....	.....	.....	.....
Camp Creek	G. F. Watson	Trio, "	9	40	49	....	.....	.....	.....
Catawba	W. A. M. Gibson	Old Fort, "	4	20	24	....	.....	.....	.....
Cherry Spring	W. M. Silver	" "	4	65	69	36	1 50	.....	1 50
Chimney Rock 1894	C. G. Nanney	Chimney Rock, "	5	44	49	....	.....	.....	.....
Columbus 1894	J. P. Arledge	Columbus "	11	110	121	....	.....	.....	.....
Cooper's Gap,	W. D. Helton	Dimsdale, "	7	54	61	250	6 79	.....	6 79
Dysartsville	J. D. Taylor	Dysartsville, "	4	81	85	140	3 17	.....	3 17
Green's Creek,	.....	.....	5	30	35	36	2 00	....	2 00
Green River,	T. C. Page,	Poore's Ford, "	5	35	40	128	6 20	.....	6 20
Hall Town	J. M. Hall	Marion, "	5	30	35	....	.....	.....	.....
Harmony G've 1894	G. M. Walker	Rocky Pass, "	5	50	55	....	.....	.....	.....
*Henry Station 1894	.....	.....	4	20	24	....	.....	.....	.....
Marion	B. B. Price	Marion, "	5	50	55	55	12 00	1 35	13 35
Mills Spring	O. T. Baynard	Mills' Spring, "	6	50	56	49	6 00	.....	6 00
Montford's Cove	J. W. Morgan	Otter Creek "	3	50	53	50	5 00	.....	5 00
Mountain Creek	R. P. Geer	Gilkey "	6	92	98	36	4 65	.....	4 65
Mount Vernon	N. J. Rollins	Rutherfordton, "	11	82	93	....	4 44	.....	4 44
Old Fort	R. H. Moore,	Old Fort, "	9	52	61	75	20 00	6 00	26 00
Piney Knob,	W. L. Haynes	Cuba, "	6	30	36	9	75	.....	75
Pleasant Grove	G. B. Melton	Ayr "	6	40	46	26	65	.....	65
*Green Hill	N C. Lovelace	Green Hill "	6	70	76	....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill	J. L. Owens	Mack "	6	40	46	....	.....	.....	.....
*Piedmont	A. L. Rucker	Rutherfordton, "	8	72	80	20	1 30	.....	1 30
Rock Spring, 1894	.....	.....	5	40	45	....	.....	.....	.....
Round Hill	L. L. Deck	Union Mills "	6	64	70	65	4 09	.....	4 09
Rutherfordton	T. C. Smith	Rutherfordton, "	6	85	91	110	25 00	12 00	37 00
Silver Creek	J. A. McGraw	Mills' Spring, "	5	60	65	....	.....	.....	.....
Stone Mountain	J. D. Elliott	StoneMountain "	4	43	47	33	1 15	.....	1 15
Whiteside Valley	S. J. Collins	Grassy Knob. "	7	50	57	140	4 00	.....	4 00
*Irvings	J. W. Metcalf	Green Hill "	8	70	78	....	.....	.....	.....
*FlackSch'l House	J. C. Price	Gilkey "	6	60	66	....	.....	.....	.....
			221	1925	2146	1360	$113 69	$28 25	$141 94

* Not reported in Associational letters.

Cooper's Gap and Whiteside Valley each report 12 volumes in library.

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PROCEEDINGS.

GREEN RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH,
Polk County, N. C., Oct. 1, 1896.

The fifty-sixth annual session of the Green River Baptist Association convened with the church at this place at 11 A. M. to-day.

The choir sang "How firm a foundation."

M. M. Landrum read the 94th Psalm.

Hymn, "Amazing grace," &c.

Prayer, M. M. Landrum leading.

Hymn, "Holy Spirit."

M. M. Landrum preached introductory sermon from St. Matt. 23: 21, Isa. 10: 1–4, and Psa. 94: 20.

After this discourse, which dealt some heavy thrusts against the evils of the liquor traffic, J. C. Sorrels led us in prayer.

Hymn, "That's enough for me."

Remarks by H. D. Harrill and John Clemons relative to the homes of messengers.

The Association adjourned one hour.

Benediction by M. M. Landrum.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 1:30 P. M., and was called to order by M. M. Landrum, former Moderator.

After singing, G. P. Bostic, late of China, led us in prayer.

The Moderator requested A. L. Grayson and J. C. Price to act as assistant clerks.

The churches were called, letters read, and messengers enrolled, as follows—ministers in italics:

Bethel.—*J. C. Sorrels*, C. B. Morris, J. F. Morgan.
Bethlehem.—W. H. Gilliam, G. G. Morgan.
Beulah.—A. L. Pitman.
Big Level.—N. T. Mills, Jerry Jackson, Roland Ruppe.

Bill's Creek.—P. C. Shitle, Jerry Jackson, Sr., Elijah Frady.
Bridgewater.—J. C. Price.
Camp Creek.—J. L. Barnes.
Catawba.—*G. W. Settlemire*, M. A. Harvey.
Cherry Spring.—Not represented.
Chimney Rock.—Represented by letter.
Clear Creek.—Not represented.
Cooper's Gap.—W. E. Mills, A. L. McMurray, H. K. Corn.
Columbus.—N. B. Hampton.
Dysartsville.—L. G. Price, J. D. Hogan, E. L. Walker, T. C. Dickson.
Green's Creek.—G. C. Collins, Thos. Teagaus W. M. Walker.
Green River.—J. P. Hester, Wm. Watson, J. H. Blanton.
Hall Town.—Represented by letter.
Harmony Grove.—T. M. Walton, D. G. Brown.
Henry Station.—Not represented.
Macedonia.—Represented by letter.
Marion.—*M. M. Landrum.*
Mills' Spring.—J. A. Rucker, J. R. Phillips, L. T. Jackson.
Montford's Cove.—J. W. Halford, W. G. Harris.
Mountain Creek.—A. L. Rucker, W. E. Flack, C. M. Lewis, R. P. Geer, A. P. Rucker, J. F. Edwards.
Mount Vernon.—H. A. Harrill, Z. B. V. Freeman, N. S. Rolins, Beatie Wilson, R. M. Wilson.
Old Fort.—Represented by letter.
Piney Knob.—J. T. Bland.
Pleasant Grove.—Rich'd Ledbetter, D. H. Houser, N. C. Lovelace.
Pleasant Hill.—C. C. Lovelace, T. C. Hill.
Rock Spring.—I. M. Frady.
Round Hill.—L. L. Deck, A. H. Nanney, J. W. Nanney, J. D. Morris, A. P. Sorrels.
Rutherfordton.—*C. B. Justice, H. D. Harrill, W. M. Whiteside, T. B. Justice*, A. L. Grayson, A. J. Nettles, J. M. Toms.
Silver Creek.—*Elbert Jackson*, M. C. Hill, H. P. Arlege.
Stone Mountain.—J. D. Elliott, S. B. Grant.
Turkey Cove.—Not represented.
Walnut Grove.—J. H. Brown.
Whiteside Valley.—S. J. Collins, J. R. Whiteside.
Zion Hill.—Not Represented.

Churches not represented 5.

Messengeas present 76.

Montford's Cove, Mount Vernon and Pleasant Hill each ask for next session of this Association; and Green River presents a query.

The Moderator having declared the messengers present the delegated representatives of this body, on motion of L. L. Deck, the rules were suspended, and M. M. Landrum was re-elected Moderator, and A. L. Rucker Clerk by acclamation.

On motion of C. B. Justice, the rules were again

suspended, and A. L. Grayson was unanimously re-elected Treasurer.

The sessions of this Association were, on motion of C. B. Justice, fixed as here given:

Meet at 9:30 A. M., and spend one half hour in devotional exercises.
Adjourn at 12 M.
Meet at 1 P. M.
Adjourn at pleasure.

The pastor and deacons of Green River church were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

Committee on Finance announced: A. L. Grayson, J. D. Morris, J. C. Price, A. P. Sorrels.

The courtesies of the Association were extended to visiting brethren representing any of our denominational enterprises, to which the brethren named responded: Elder J. E. White, Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board; Elder J. P. Bostic, of China; Elder T. J. Moss, of Sandy Run Association; Elder J. H. Yarborough, of Buncombe County Association; Elders C. M. Teel and R. J. Tate, of Broad River Association; Elder A. T. Jones, of Spartanburg Association.

C. B. Justice, Associational Chairman of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, submitted their report, which was subsequently adopted as a whole as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

TO THE GREEN RIVER ASSOCIATION:

Dear Brethren:—The work of preaching the gospel to a lost world is pre-eminently the greatest work that the Lord ever committed to men or angels. It is a work in which we stand between a just God and a guilty world, offering to the guilty and condemned a free and full pardon for all their offences, on condition that they will accept it on the Lord's terms—seeking to bring the world into subjection to the law of grace and truth, and to render to God that service and praise that is justly his due.

The authority, command and instruction relative to and applicable to this work is to be found in every part of God's word. Our Bible is truly a Book of Missions, and it is only as we go forward preaching the gospel that we are rendering obedience to our Lord

and Master—"Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."—that we are giving the keynote to all Christian living.

Soon after the last meeting of your body the Board met and proceeded to make appropriations to different points of destitution in the bounds of this Association.

Elder G. W. Settlemire was appointed for all his time to preach at Williams' school-house, Broad River, Cherry Spring and Henry Station, at a salary of $125.00.

Elder M. A. Harvey was appointed to Catawba church for one fourth of his time at a salary of $25.00.

Elder J. C. Sorrels for one fourth of his time at Walnut Grove and Tom's Creek, at a salary of $100.00.

Elder M. M. Landrum for one fourth of his time at Bridgewater, at a salary of $100.00—one half of which was to be paid by the Association and the remainder by the church at that place.

These brethren report:

Stations occupied	14.
Sermons preached	339.
Conversions	28.
Baptisms	16.
Received by letter	9.
Received of churches on salary	$98.40.
One house built costing	$450.00.
Bibles and Testaments distributed	148.
Collected on fields for missions	$5.15.
Sunday Schools on fields	9.

STATE MISSIONS.

The Board of Missions of the Southern Baptist Convention has had under appointment, during the year, 98 missionaries, preaching to 450 different congregations. These all report progress and are hopeful of the future of the work.

There still remains a large destitution in the State which should be occupied at once. There is enough destitution in the northern part of our Association to employ the full time of at least two strong men. Since the last meeting of this body the churches have contributed to the support of this work the sum of $255.18, leaving $44.82 still to be provided for so that we may settle in full with the Missionaries. This amonnt should be raised at once, so that we may begin the work of fhe incoming year without debt. For a statement of the amount contributed by the churches to this object, we refer you to the report of the Treasurer of the Association.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

During the year ending May 1st, 1896, the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention was represented in China, Africa, Italy, Brazil, Mexico and Japan by 86 missionaries, 35 ordained and 75 unordained native helpers, who supplied 98 churches and 128 out stations. There were 735 converts baptized. The present total membership is 3801. Contributions on the field, $5553.00. The Lord has most wonderfully blessed His word as preached by these, His servants.

The churches and brethren co-operating with the Southern Baptist

Convention contributed during the year, $102,056.15 to this work. Of this amount the Women's Missionary Societies gave $22,799.55.

In addition to the foregoing, there have been 17 missionaries laboring in China in connection with the Gospel Mission plan. These have gone into the interior of the Empire, are sowing the Gospel seed beside all waters. There has been contributed about $5,000 during the past year to the support of these workers. There have been baptized under the labors of these brethren and sisters 9 converts.

At the last session of this body, the delegates from the different churches agreed to try to raise for Foreign Missions during the year $344.00. The Treasurer's report will show that $400.00 has been contributed to this object besides $20.30 given to Gospel Missions. Columbus, Mills' Spring, Silver Creek, Stone Mountain, Mountafn Creek, and Piney Knob have more than redeemed their pledges.

The Following extract is taken from the last report of the Foreign Mission Board to the Southern Baptist Convention:

"*Returned Home.*

During the year Revs. T. C. Britton, L. N. Chappell, and Thos. McCloy from the China missions have returned with their families.

Rev. Z. D. Taylor, Bahia, Brazil, came home for a few months, and then returned re-enforced with one of our China missionaries, Miss Laura G. Barton, who was on a visit home, and whom he persuaded to enter the Brazilian work as his life companion.

Dr. George B. Taylor, of Rome, Italy, came home for a few months only. The public have been informed of his sad accident which disabled him for most of the time he was here to rest.

Dr. J. H. Eager and family, of Florence, Italy, have just arrived in this country. This is their second visit in sixteen years.

Several of the Mexican missionaries came over to the States, but only for short visits. Miss Lucia Cabaniss, of the Mexican Mission, resigned in October, 1895."

"*Returned to the Work.*

In October, 1895, Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Graves returned to Canton, China, and Rev. J. H. McCollum and family to Japan; Rev. R. E. Chambers and wife being sent at Dr. Graves' request. The Board took this action in view of Dr. Graves' long and faithful service; and also, he gave up the salary for himself and wife. Miss E. B. Sale being specially provided for by her Association, was sent to Canton, China. Rev. C. E. Smith and family who got home last year just before the Convention, set sail from New York for Africa May 2d, 1896. They are accompanied by W. P. Wenn and wife who go as our missionaries, but will get no salary.

The Board also reports the death of Sister W. T. Lumley which occurred at Lagos, Africa, on the 18th day of April, 1895; and also that of Rev. M. Garsaway, of the Mexican Mission, who died Dec. 19, 1895."

HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has in charge the preaching of the Gospel to the destitute in the bounds of the Convention and in Cuba. There were under appointment of this Board last year 411 missionaries who delivered 58,041 sermons and addresses, supplying 1,627 churches

and Stations, receiving into the same by baptism, 5,617 and by letter 6,672, making the total additions 12,289. Churches constituted 207; houses of worship built, 92.

The Board received during the year $75,927.50. The women of the South through their societies contributed $33,542.64 to this work.

During the past year the churches of this Association have given to this work $109.16.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

For a report of the progress and present condition of the Sunday School work, we would refer you to the report of Rev. W. M. Whiteside, Secretary of the Sunday School Association, and also to the reports from the different churches as contained in their letters to the Association.

THE FUTURE.

The future is rich in promises and possibilities to and for all departments of our religious work. Perhaps, never before, has the condition of the world for the reception of the Gospel been more hopeful and encouraging. Never have the calls to go up and possess the land for the Lord God Almighty been more urgent. Let us as the people of God address ourselves to this work with greater energy than ever before; knowing that the day of our opportunity is now far spent, and that, even to-day, the sun thereof is going down behind the western hills; and that soon the twilight hours of death will release us from our responsibilities and the voice of a merciful God will say to every true and faithful one:

"Well done, thou good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things: I will make thee ruler over many things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

C. B. JUSTICE,
Chairman Board of Missions.

A. L. GRAYSON, *Secretary.*

On motion of J. C. Sorrels, the above report was made a substitute for those usually submitted by committees on State, Home and Foreign Missions, and that on Sabbath Schools.

So much of the foregoing report as relates to State Missions was made special order for 10:30 A. M., and that of Foreign Missions for 2 P. M. to-morrow.

G. P. Bostic announced that he in his Chinese costume, would address the people at this place at 7:30 to-night.

Adjourned to 9:30 A. M. to-morrow.

Benediction by J. E. White.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Friday, October 1, 1896.

The Association met at 9:30. Hymn, "The unclouded day."

J. H. Yarborough read the 94th Psalm and conducted the devotional exercises, in which A. T. Jones participated.

The Moderator called the Association to order at 10 o'clock.

Churches not represented yesterday were again called.

G. W. Settlemire and M. A. Harvey were enrolled as messengers from Catawba; and the letter from Green's Creek was received, read by the Clerk, and messengers enrolled.

The minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved—it being ordered that the names of all absent messengers be stricken from the roll.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

State of Religion—Elbert Jackson, W. C. Morris, W. G. Harris, W. E. Mills, L. M. Price.

Temperance—J. C. Sorrels, R. P. Geer, H. A. Harrill, L. L. Deck, N. T. Mills.

Education—T. B. Justice, J. L. Barnes, N. B. Hampton, J. H. Blanton, T. M. Watson.

Orphanage—W. M. Whiteside, W. H. Gilliam, A. L. Pitman, P. C. Shitle, J. A. Rucker.

Deceased Ministers—G. W. Settlemire, S. B. Grant, S. J. Collins, J. H. Brown, H. P. Arledge.

Ministerial Relief Board—A. P. Rucker, J. T. Bland, Rich'd Ledbetter, C. C. Lovelace, I. M. Frady.

Nominations to State and S. B. Conventions—M. A. Harvey, J. F. Morgan, Jerry Jackson, Elijah Frady, A. L. McMurray.

Associational History—Z. B. V. Freeman, N. C. Lovelace, J. F. Edwards, L. T. Jackson, J. W. Halford.

Nominations of Board of Missions and Sunday Schools—A. J. Nettles, G. G. Bradly, Edmund Foster, H. K. Corn, Beattie Wilson.

Visiting brethren accepted the courtesies of the body as follows: Archibald Johnson, representing the Orphanage; O. T. Smith, representing the Biblical Recorder; Elder W. T. Tate, of Saluda (S. C.)

Association; Elder S. A. Bridges, of Sandy Run Association.

The hour having arrived for the special order—State Missions—C. B. Justice again read that part of the report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools relating to this subject.

J. E. White and C. B. Justice addressed the Association, when the following amounts were pledged by the brethren for

STATE MISSIONS:

Bethel	$25 00	Bethlehem	$10 00
Big Level	3 00	Bill's Creek	5 00
Bridgewater	10 00	Camp Creek	2 00
Cherry Spring	2 00	Cooper's Gap	3 00
Columbus	4 00	Dysartsville	2 00
Green's Creek	2 00	Green River	2 00
Hall Town	2 00	Harmony Grove	5 00
Marion	25 00	Mills' Spring	2 00
Montford's Cove	3 00	Mountain Creek	25 00
Old Fort	10 00	Pleasant Grove	2 00
Pleasant Hill	4 00	Round Hill	20 00
Rutherfordton	90 00	Silver Creek	2 00
Stone Mountain	2 00	Walnut Grove	10 00
Whiteside Valley	2 00	M. A. Harvey	1 00
		Total	$275 00

J. C. Sorrels spoke of the needs of the new church at Walnut Grove, when a collection followed for their relief amounting to $22.07.

Committee on Periodicals—O. T. Smith, Archibald Johnson, J. H. Yarborough, T. J. Moss, C. M. Teel, R. J. Tate, A. H. Jones.

Adjourned one hour. Benediction by W. T. Tate.

Afternoon Session.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Hymn, "There is a fountain," &c.

Prayer by C. M. Teel.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Announcement: W. T. Tate will preach at the stand at once.

So much of report of Board of Missions and Sun-

day Schools as relates to Foreign Missions was reread by C. B. Justice and discussed by himself, G. P. Bostic and J. E. White.

H. D. Harrill offered the following as an amendment to that part of the report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools now under consideration:

Resolved, That this Association instruct the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, in connection with C. B. Justice, representative of the F. M. Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, to make an earnest effort to raise during the next year from the churches composing this body not less than $400 for Foreign Missions.

After remarks by G. P. Bostic, J. E. White, A. L. Grayson and C. B. Justice, the resolution was adopted.

Archibald Johnson read the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Knowledge must precede zeal. As our people are informed in the same proportion will they be efficient in christian work. The *Biblical Recorder* has stood for more than sixty years a loyal sentinel on the walls of our North Carolina Zion. During all its long career it has ably defended and promulgated Baptist principles. It is stronger now than ever before. We heartily commend it to our brethren as being one of the ablest and soundest papers in the South, and worthy of the support of every Baptist.

Charity and Children is the organ of our Orphanage. Its aim is to furnish such information as may be helpful to this great enterprise, and enlarge the number of givers.

We would call special attention to the rates offered Sunday schools, and recommend the plan to the consideration of our superintendents.

We also recommend the *N. C. Baptist*, the *Foreign Mission Journal*, and the Sunday school literature of the Southern Baptist Convention.

O. T. SMITH,
ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
J. H. YARBOROUGH,
C. M. TEEL,
A. T. JONES,
T. J. MOSS,
R. J. TATE,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, O. T. Smith, Archibald Johnson and C. B. Justice spoke to the report, which was adopted.

After various announcements, adjourned to 9:30 to-morrow.

Benediction by J. E. White.

THIRD DAY—Morning Session,

Saturday, October 3, 1896.

The Association met at 9:30.

"Bringing in the Sheaves" and "W. C. T. U. Song" were sung.

T. J. Moss read St. Matt. 20: 1-16, and conducted devotional exercises, assisted by Elbert Jackson.

W. H. Gilliam, G. P. Bostic, J. E. White and M. M. Landrum discussed the subject of prayer; when, on motion of L. L. Deck, the churches were advised to spend one half hour in devotional exercises immediately preceding the hour of preaching at their Saturday meetings.

The Association was called to order at 10 o'clock.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The report of Historian, and that of the Committee on Associational History, were read by the Clerk, and, after remarks by himself and M. M. Landrum, adopted.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

Dear Brethren:—One church only has complied with the recommendation of your body at last session.

The church at Big Level, Polk county, N. C., early in this year took action in this matter by the appointment of brother R. L. D. Gilbert Historian, who subsequently prepared a sketch of that church and forwarded same to me. This has been copied, with such changes in phraseology and arrangement as was thought necessary, into a book provided for the purpose; and is subject to any order you may choose to make, or to such reivsion as you may designate. This is an important subject, and should receive the immediate attention of the churches, that the facts thus obtained may be put in such form of preservation among the archives of the Association as to be readily obtained at such time as the brethren may elect for their publication.

A. L. Rucker, *Historian.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HISTORY.

Concurring in the foregoing report of Historian, we would emphasize the importance of your recommendation at Round Hill last year, as appears from the record on page 11 of the minutes.

The churches should act promptly in appointing a suitable brother

in each church to write its history, and forward same at an early day to the Historian.

Z. B. V. FREEMAN,
L. T. JACKSON,
J. F. EDWARDS,
N. C. LOVELACE,
J. W. HALFORD,
Committee.

Committee on Time, Place and Introductory Sermon for next session announced by Moderator:

Committee—C. M. Lewis, T. C. Collins, L. G. Price, C. B. Morris, J. M. Toms, R. M. Wilson, T. C. Hill, J. W. Halford, J. P. Hester.

The Orphanage was made the special order for 10:30 on motion of H. D. Harrill.

T. B. Justice read the report on

EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education report as follows:

We regard education as a mighty power for good, when properly used in the furtherance of our denominational work and the upbuilding of the kingdom of our blessed Master.

While we appreciate and commend a collegiate education in all cases where such advantages are attainable, we fully recognize the fact that the fundamental principles and the intermediate development of the rising generation in primary and preparatory schools should be cautiously and zealously guarded against the implanting of wrong ideas and frivolous impressions. We regard the moral training of the mind and the sowing of the seeds of truth as paramount objects in the education of both males and females.

We would rejoice to know that every school of whatever grade, and for whatever sex or race, was permeated with christian influences and devoid of clubs or organizations for amusements or otherwise, whose tendencies are toward ungodliness and frivolity.

We believe that christian education is above all other forms, and that christian schools and colleges should be sustained and patronized in preference to any secular or State institutions.

We recognize in Wake Forest College a powerful aid to worthy young men who strive to attain to a higher plane of christian usefulness; we endorse its management as judicious and its influences as wholesome and elevating. We recommend to pastors and churches that they do all in their power to strengthen this, our State denominational institution of learning.

We regard ministerial education as important among the objects which our denomination is fostering, and advise that no church or pastor fail to send up a substantial token of their remembrance.

We are in full sympathy with the effort to complete and equip the Baptist Female University now in course of construction, and believe that it is just and fair to the women of to-day, the wives of the future, and the mothers of unborn generations, that we give of our means

and influence to the completion and success of this great institution.

T. B. JUSTICE,
J. L. BARNES,
N. B. HAMPTON,
J. H. BLANTON,
G. M. WALTON,
Committee.

After remarks by T. B. Justice and J. H. Yarboro, the report was adopted.

W. M. Whiteside read the

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Your committee beg leave to submit the following:

Among other objects of our care, we believe that our Baptist State Orphanage should receive a warm place in our hearts.

When we remember that every child born into the world will prove an honor or a dishonor to God; and, furthermore, when we remember that the influences thrown around that child will have a great deal to do with what he makes of himself; and when we remember our obligations to care for the poor, we must confess that the Orphanage should have a warmer place in our hearts than it seemingly does.

We have now at the Orphanage from 140 to 150 children, and others seeking admission. It is hoped that the Central Building, now in process of construction, will be completed by Christmas, when we will be able to care—Bro. Johnson tells me—for 200 children. Brethren, what are we going to do?

We advise that the churches all support this work liberally.

W. M. WHITESIDE,
A. L. PITMAN,
W. H. GILLIAM,
P. C. SHITLE,
J. A. RUCKER,
Committee.

Pendering motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by W. M. Whiteside, Archibald Johnson and C. B. Justice. The adoption of the report was followed by a collection for its object of $19.54. The messengers present furthermore pledged themselves to secure at least one annual contribution from their respective churches for the Thomasville Orphanage.

That part of the report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools relative to Home Missions was discussed by C. B. Justice, and the following pledges were secured for

HOME MISSIONS.

Bethel	$ 5 00	Bill's Creek	$ 2 00
Big Level	2 00	Camp Creek	2 00
Bridgewater	5 00	Cooper's Gap	1 00
Catawba	50	Green River	1 00
Columbus	2 00	Marion	10 00
Hall Town	1 00	Mountain Creek	15 00
Montford's Cove	2 00	Rutherfordton	33 00
Old Fort	5 00	Stone Mountain	1 00
Round Hill	4 00		
Walnut Grove	1 00	Total	$97 50
Bethlehem	5 00		

Ajourned one hour. Benediction by C. B. Justice.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, and after singing "I gave my life for thee," was called to order by the presiding officer.

Report of Committee to Nominate Executive Board of Missions and Sunday Schools was read by A. L. Rucker, and adopted:

EXECUTIVE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Churches.	Names.	Post Offices.
Beulah	Joshua Putman	Mills Spring, N. C
Big Level	Jerry Jackson	Poplar Grove, "
Bill's Creek	J. F. Logan	Ayr, "
Chimney Rock	W. M. Henderson	Chimny Rock "
Cooper's Gap	H. K. Corn	Dinsdale, "
Columbus	Gray B. Hampton	Landrum, "
Green's Creek	J. J. Green	Collinsville, "
Green River	T. C. Page	Poore's Ford, "
Montford's Cove	L. D. Hemphill	Otter Creek, "
Piney Knob	J. F. Bland	Cuba, "
Pleasant Grove	H. M. Whiteside	Ruth'f'dton, "
Rock Spring	C. B. Justice	Poplar Grove, "
Rutherfordton	A. L. Grayson	Ruth'f'dton, "
"	W. L. Lynch	" "
"	T. C. Smith	" "
"	H. D Harrill	" "
"	M. McBrayer	" "
"	J. M. Toms	" "
Silver Creek	J. S. McCraw	Mills' Spring, "
White Oak	J. A. Thorn	Mills' Spring, "
Whiteside Valley	John Thompson	Grassy Knob, "
Bethel	Z. Z. Morris	Nealsville, "
Bethlehem	A. W. Gilliam	Old Fort, "
Bridgewater	J. C. Price	Cuba, "
Camp Creek	B. Biggerstaff	Trio, "
Catawba	M. A. Harvey	Old Fort, "
Clear Creek	C. P. Rader	Grenlee, "
Cherry Spring	W. J. Gilbert	Old Fort, "
Dysartsville	W. H. Taylor	Dysartsville, "
Harmony Grove	W S Freeman	Rocky Pass, "
Hall Town	Jonathan Hall	Marion, "
Macedonia	J. M. Watkins	Dysartsville, "
Marion	W. M. Blanton	Marion, "
Mountain Creek	M. B. Black	Cuba, "
Mount Vernon	N. J. Rollins	Ruth'f'dton, "
Old Fort	R. H. Moore	Old Fort, "
Round Hill	L. L. Deck	Thermal City, "
Zion Hill	F. Ledford	Marion, "
Turkey Cove	R. A. Hollifield	Turkey Cove, "
Walnut Grove	J. H. Brown	Ashford, "

We your committee respectfully submit the foregoing names as members of the Associational Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

A. J. NETTLES,
G. G. BRADLEY,
H. K. CORN,
BEATIE WILSON,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Deceased Ministers was read by S. J. Collins.

REPORT ON DECEASED MINISTERS.

Your Committee on Deceased Ministers is glad to report that the Lord in his goodness has spared the lives of our ministers during the past year, for which we should all praise his great name.

G. W. SETTLEMIRE,
S. J. COLLINS,
H. P. ARLEDGE,
J. H. BROWN,

Report adopted.

The report on State of Religion, as presented by Elbert Jackson, was concurred in as follows:

STATE OF RELIGION.

Your committee reports the spiritual condition of our churches good, most of which have been greatly revived. By an examination of the Associational church letters, we find that there have been 177 additions by baptism this year, being an increase of 57 over that of last year.

Our membership are slowly but steadily getting on a higher plane of christian living.

ELBERT JACKSON,
WM. E. MILLS,
W. G. HARRIS,
Committee.

C. M. Lewis read report of committee on

TIME, PLACE AND INTRODUCTORY SERMON.

Your committee recommend Thursday before first Sunday in October, 1897, as the time, and Montford's Cove Baptist Church as the place for next session of this Association.

We further recommend that C. B. Justice preach the introductory sermon, with J. C. Sorrels, alternate.

C. M. LEWIS,
G. C. COLLINS,
L. G. PRICE,
C. B. MORRIS,
J. M. TOMS,
R. M. WILSON,
T. C. HILL,
J. W. HALFORD,
J. P. HESTER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

J. C. Sorrels read report of Committee on Temperance and an answer to query from Green River church.

J. C. Sorrels spoke to the report, and J. M. Williams, by permission, to the query.

The report was adopted, and the query answered, as here given.

TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to submit:

We find by an examination of the letters that almost all the churches are trying to carry out the temperance resolution passed by this body in 1890. We are glad to know that nearly all the churches have adopted the resolution. We can say truly that the temperance cause is gaining ground in our Association.

We advise our brethren to stand firm on this question, feeling assured that we are on the Lord's side.

J. C. SORRELS,
N. T. MILLS,
R. P. GEER,
L. L. DECK,
H. A. HARRIS,
Committee.

QUERY FROM GREEN RIVER.

"What course should the churches of this Association pursue with a preacher not belonging to our Association who sells his corn to a distiller, or encourages the liquor traffic in any way?"

Answer—This query does not come within our jurisdiction.

M. A. Harvey read report on

NOMINATIONS.

To Southern Baptist Convention—J. C. Sorrels; M. M. Landrum, alternate.

To State Baptist Convention—J. C. Sorrels, C. B. Justice, H. D. Harris, T. B. Justice, Z. T. Whiteside and W. M. Whiteside; Brethren A. L. Rucker, Richard Ledbetter and N. C. Lovelace.

M. A. HARVEY,
JERRY JACKSON,
ELIJAH FRADY,
J. F. MORGAN,
A. L. MCMURRAY,
Committee.

W. M. Whiteside, Secretary of the Green River Sunday School Association, made his report of the work within our bounds.

After remarks by himself, C. B. Justice, W. R.

Lipscomb, I. M. Frady and W. H. Gilliam, and referring the report to W. M. Whiteside and A. L. Rucker for certain corrections, the report was adopted, as given at the end of these minutes.

Announcements for preaching to-morrow made.

A. P. Rucker read report on

AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

Your committee on Aged Ministers' Relief Board would recommend to the Green River Association this as one of the many important objects of their care and attention; and we would further recommend that each church make at least one annual contribution to its support.

A. P. RUCKER,
I. M. FRADY,
R. LEDBETTER,
C. C. LOVELACE,
J. C. BLAND,
Committee.

Adopted.

It was ordered that the collection on to-morrow be applied to State Missions.

By request, T. B. Justice read report of

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The committee reports $30.36 sent for publication of Minutes, and recommend that this amount be supplemented to an amount sufficient to pay the clerk ten dollars in addition to cost of printing same.

A. L. GRAYSON,
J. D. MORRIS,
J. C. PRICE,
A. P. SORRELS,
Committee.

After remarks by J. C. Price, R. P. Geer and others respecting the deficit, and a collection of $9.73 to supplement minute fund, making a total of $40.09, the report was adopted.

STATEMENT OF TREASURER.

The following condensed statement of amounts received since last meeting of this Association is submitted:

State Missions	$190 55
Foreign "	332 84
Home "	88 34
Yates Memorial	15 30
Ministerial Education	19 05
Orphanage	12 00

Ministers' Relief Board	6 22
Gospel Missions	20 30
Total	$648 60

Amounts received during the Association to be added, and complete report submitted to auditing committee.

A. L. GRAYSON, *Treasurer.*

T. C. Smith and J. M. Toms were appointed to audit Treasurer's final account, which see on a subsequent page, and above statement accepted.

THANKS.

Resolved, That this Association tender the thanks of the body to the members of this church and the citizens of this community for the great hospitality extended to all members and visitors during this session of the Association.

T. B. JUSTICE.

Heartily adopted.

On motion of C. B. Justice, the Association adjourned to meet with the church at Montford's Cove on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, A. D. 1897.

While the brethren sang "Jesus, lover of my soul," we engaged in hand shaking.

Prayer, C. B. Justice leading.

Benediction by M. M. Landrum.

M. M. LANDRUM,
MODERATOR.

A. L. RUCKER, *Clerk.*

SUNDAY SERVICES.

At 11 A. M. M. M. Landrum preached in the church from St. Luke 16: 12, "If ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?"

At the same hour C. B. Justice preached in the grove from Rev. 14: 6 and 7, "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, saying with a loud voice, Fear God and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountain of waters."

At the close of these services a collection was taken for State Missions amounting to $9.11.

Thus passed into history the fifty-sixth annual session of the Green River Association. The weather was pleasant and the attendance large from the start, and increasing to the close.

CLERK.

ECHOES FROM THE CHURCHES.

Given in their Letters to the Association.

Bethel—"We are endeavoring to carry out the temperance resolution. Pray for us."

Bethlehem—"We are endeavoring to carry out the temperance resolution."

Big Level—"We are carrying out the temperance resolution."

Bill's Creek—Has had a grand revival, is hopeful, and craves our prayers.

Cooper's Gap—Trying to carry out temperance resolution. Had a good meeting in August, resulting in 20 additions. "Our membership is misrepresented. Brethren, pray for us."

Columbus—The brethren have had a good revival and feel greatly benefited. "Pray for us."

Dysartsville—Adheres strictly to temperance principles. A meeting of twelve days in August resulted in 13 additions to the church.

Green's Creek—Has had a good revival, and is enforcing the temperance resolution.

Green River—Is trying to comply strictly with temperance resolutions.

Harmony Grove—"We carry out temperance resolutions."

Macedonia—Making arrangements to build a new house of worship.

Marion—"The Woman's Missionary Society of our church has given $2.80 for church improvement, $5.50 to State Missions, $2.00 to Yate's Memorial, and $3.00 to Foreign Missions; and the Sun-

beams have given $2.60 to Foreign Missions, and $2.65 to Orphanage."

Montford's Cove—"We are striving to carry out the temperance resolutions. Long since, we withdrew from twelve of our prominent members on the liquor question, and are still withdrawing. We had a very interesting revival in July—many conversions and several backsliders reclaimed. Still-houses planted around a church gives the devil a strong hold on the church. Pray for us, that God may give us the victory."

"We cordially invite the Green River Association to meet with us next year." This request was granted.

Mountain Creek—Had a meeting of nine days. Results: ten conversions, eight added by experience, and one by restoration. The church gave $25 to Gospel Missions, and enforce the temperance resolution.

Mount Vernon—Had a meeting of ten days, resulting in 25 additions and greatly reviving the church. They ask an interest in our prayers. They ask for next session of the Association, but do not get it.

Old Fort—We are grieved to say our beloved pastor, Dr. Landrum, has resigned. He is great, grand and noble, and loved by all who know him, regardless of denominational preferences.

Pleasant Hill—Carry out temperance resolution. Their invitation for next session of Association was denied.

Pleasant Grove—Comply with temperance resolution, and have a branch Sunday school. See S. S. Secretary's report.

Round Hill—"We are trying to be scriptural on the subject of temperance."

Stone Mountain—"We are endeavoring to carry out the temperance cause."

Walnut Grove—"We return thanks to the Association for giving us the gospel. We have had the best revival we have had in twenty years. We praise the Lord, and take courage. Brethren, pray for us."

Whiteside Valley—"We are carrying out the temperance resolution. Had a good meeting in August, with 13 additions to the church. The painting of our house is nearly completed. Pray for us."

CONSTITUTION.

This Association shall be known as the GREEN RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of Baptist churches whose articles of faith and constitutions are in harmony with those of the Association.

Each church shall be allowed a representation of two delegates, in addition to their regular ordained ministers, and every church of over fifty members shall be allowed one additional delegate for every fifty additional members.

The primary objects of the Association shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College, to educate young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among the people of the State; to support the Gospel in the destitute portions of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the Gospel to the nations that have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel; to encourage the organization and support of Baptist Sunday Schools, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in all its departments of labor.

This Association shall meet annually on Thursday before the first Sabbath in October.

The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Association, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

The Moderator shall preside or fill the chair, by calling some member of the body thereto, and enforce order in accordance with Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

The Clerk shall record the proceedings, conduct the correspondence, and publish and distribute the Minutes.

The Treasurer shall receive all funds contributed by the churches or individuals to the objects of the Association, receipting the contributors for the same, and forward all contributions to their proper destination, and make a full report of all receipts and disbursements to the Association at its annual sessions, and on retiring from his office turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

There shall be appointed by the Association at each session a Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, consisting of one member from each church belonging to the Association and several other brethren living in Rutherfordton or its immediate vicinity, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, which, during the intervals between the meetings of the Association, shall have charge of the various interests and objects fostered by the Association, and shall encourage the churches to give liberally thereto; and shall make a full report of its work, including such suggestions relative thereto as it may think advisable, to the Association at its annual sessions.

The President, or in case of his death or disqualification, any three members of the Board may call a meeting thereof.

This Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives present voting in the affirmative.

ASSOCIATION COVENANT.

ARTICLE 1. We believe in one only and true God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost—and these are one in substance, and equal in power and glory.

ART. 2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

ART. 3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

ART. 4. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in, by his own free will and ability.

ART. 5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only through the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

ART. 6. We believe the saints shall persevere in grace, and that they never shall finally fall away.

ART. 7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects thereof.

ART. 8. We believe immersion is the only spiritual mode of baptism.

ART. 9. We believe that no person has a right to administer the ordinances but such as are regularly called and qualified thereto.

ART. 10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment; that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting, and the joys of the righteous eternal.

ART. 11. We, the members of the Green River Baptist Association, agreeing to the above Articles of Faith, do, for and in behalf of the churches which we represent, covenant and agree, and give ourselves up to each other in church and Christian fellowship, in order to keep up the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace, and to assist each other in all matters of distress, and to pray for each other's prosperity.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1st. Fix time of meeting and adjournment.

2nd. Call for messengers present without letters from their churches.

3rd. Call for application for membership in this body.

4th. Appoint committees on Preaching and Finance.

5th. Recognize, in their official capacity, any present who may represent general denominational interests.

6th. Call for correspondents, renewing the call at the opening of each morning session.

7th. Appoint committees on State of Religion, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Sabbath Schools, Temperance, Education, Orphanage, Deceased Ministers, Aged Ministers, Nominations State

and Southern Conventions, Place and Introductory Sermon of next Session, Periodicals, &c., urging reports as soon as possible.

8th. Miscellaneous business.

9th. Ordered: That this Association, at this session—1894—appoint a suitable man as Historian, whose business it shall be to collect such facts as he may be able to do, in reference to our church and and associational history, and report the same annually, until the same shall have been completed.

10th. Give an opportunity to present the claims of Foreign, Home State Missions, and Orphanage, with any other general interest supported by this body.

11th. Fix time and place of next meeting, and appoint the introductory preacher and alternate; also the minister to preach the missionary sermon.

12th. Arrange general (or union) meetings.

13th. Appoint correspondents to other bodies.

14th. Call for reports of committees.

15th. Elect delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions.

16th. Elect Executive Board, provided for in Constitution.

17th. Arrange for printing, distributing Minutes, and paying Clerk.

18th. Adjourn.

OBITUARIES.

ELDER W. F. SORRELS, son of I. P. and Eliza Sorrels, was born near Cuba, Rutherford county, N. C., July 12, 1859. He was baptized into the fellowship of Round Hill Baptist Church by Elder G. W. Rollins in August, 1874, at the age of fifteen. He served this church as clerk for seven years, and was clerk of the Green River Association for five years.

His educational advantages were limited, but by close application to study and continuous teaching he became a fine scholar.

He was ordained to the ministry March 5, 1888.

Beside work done on the missionary field of the Green River Association, he was at different periods pastor of the following churches within our bounds: Piney Knob, Camp Creek, Shiloh, Dysartsville, Silver Creek and White Oak.

In 1888 he moved to Spartanburg county, S. C., and became pastor of New Prospect and Camp Call churches. In 1894 he was in charge of Green Street church in the city of Spartanburg. He also served for some years Boiling Spring, Mount Zion and Mount Calvary churches. The last three named, with New Prospect, formed his field at the time of his death.

He was married Dec. 26, 1893, to Miss Minnie Balinger, daughter of A. W. Balinger, of New Prospect, S. C.

Brother Sorrels was just entering a large field of increasing usefulness, and while holding a meeting of great interest at Inman, S. C., he was stricken with typhoid fever, from which he died Sept. 9th, 1895. He was buried at New Prospect on the following day. Rev. I. W. Wings, assisted by Elders J. E. Covington, J. R. Aiken and R. H. Gilbert, conducted the funeral services from the words: "For me to live is Christ, to die is gain."

His physical powers were never very vigorous, and were seemingly dwarfed by his superior intellectual endowments. It may truly be said of him that in all that ennobles, he was a man. May his consecrated life be an inspiration to many a struggling youth for a higher plane of existence in this life with the assurance of a hope like his in that come.

C. B. JUSTICE,
H. D. HARRILL,
Z. T. WHITESIDE,
Committee.

ELDER JOHN HAYDEN TAYLOR,

Son of James and Barbara Taylor, was born in Rutherford county, N. C., about the year 1835.

His educational advantages were limited to a very meagre attendance to only a few of the common schools, but by the aid of these and a close application to reading, he became reasonably proficient in the use of the English language.

He was twice married: first to Susana Flynn in 1859, who died in 1863, leaving two children; secondly, to Jane Bradley in 1865, by whom he had ten children. These, with one exception, survive him.

From the best information obtainable it is thought that he first joined the Free Will Baptist church, but after remaining a short time with these brethren he attached himself to the Primitive Baptist church, by whom he was first ordained July 1, 1866, the Presbytery consisting of W. H. McKinney, L. Livingston, J. W. Livingston and John Brown. After preaching for the Primitive church some years, he joined the Missionary Baptist church at Bill's Creek, when he was again ordained by a Presbytery consisting of T. B. Justice, C. B. Justice and W. H. Logan. From here his membership was transferred to Montford's Cove, then to Cooper's Gap, and finally to Big Level Dec. 22, 1888, of which he may justly be regarded as the founder, architect and builder. May his spirit not yet watch over the work of his mind and hands at this place?

He served for different periods the following churches as pastor: Bethel, Montford's Cove, Long Hollow, Cherry Spring, Stone Mountain, Chimney Rock, Cooper's Gap and Big Level. He baptized into the fellowship of Cooper's Gap during his pastorate about 200, and while pastor of Big Level 65 persons, to say nothing of those baptized by him in other churches.

Brother Taylor was about six feet in height, having a dark complexion, deep blue eyes and very black hair, which he wore longer than was the fashion. As a speaker he was an orator, having the natural graces of address without any cultivation; and when aroused by circumstances appealing to the better emotions of the heart, his zeal and eloquence were wonderful.

He was always loyal to Baptist principles and a strong advocate of temperance.

He preached his last sermon at Big Level from Proverbs 31: 27, "Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all."

From this supreme effort he went home and took his bed to rise no more. After suffering intensely for eleven days of pneumonia he gave back to God his spirit. His death occurred January 3, 1895. His remains were subsequently interred in the cemetery of Big Level church, which he had so long and faithfully served, J. C. Sorrels conducting the services from Job 19: 25, "For I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth."

C. B. JUSTICE,
H. D. HARRILL,
Z. T. WHITESIDE,
Standing Committee.

PASTORS AND CLERKS AND SABBATH OF PREACHING.

	Churches.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Pastors.	Post Office.		Clerks.	Post Office.	
1	Bethel	2	J. C. Sorrels	Nealsville,	N. C.	E. G. Goforth	Nealsville,	N. C.
2	Bethlehem	1	" "	"	"	L. W. Davis	Old Fort,	"
3	Beulah	3	A. T. Jones	Swain's,	S. C.	A. L. Pitman	Landrum,	S. C.
4	Big Level	4	" "	"	"	T. M. Ruppe	Turner's,	N. C.
5	Bill's Creek	3	J. C. Sorrels	Nealsville,	N. C.	W. R. Taylor, *p. t.*	Ayr,	"
6	Bridgewater	2	M. M. Landrum	Marion,	"	J. C. Price	Gilkey,	"
7	Camp Creek	2	B. B. Harris	Dysartsville,	"	I. O. Clements	Trio,	"
8	*Catawba, 1895	1	G. W. Settlemire	Old Fort,	"	W. A. M. Gibson	Old Fort,	"
9	*Cherry Spring, 1895	4	" "	"	"	G. L. Fortune	" "	"
10	Chimney Rock	2	Rich'd Hudgin	Bat Cave,	"	W. M. Henderson	Chimney Rock,	"
11	*Clear Creek, 1892	4	A. J. Hensley	Rocky Pass,	"	A. Silver	Old Fort,	"
12	Cooper's Gap	2	A. T. Jones	Swain's,	S. C.	W. F. T. Brown	Dimsdale,	"
13	Columbus	1	T. B. Justice	Rutherfordton,	N. C.	N. B. Hampton	Columbus,	"
14	Dysartsville	3	B. B. Harris	Dysartsville,	"	Eld. J. R. Denton	Dysartsville,	"
15	Green's Creek	3	J. T. Moss	Forest City,	"	G. P. Green	Collinsville,	"
16	Green River	2	H. D. Harrill	" "	"	Wm. Hines	Clover,	"
17	Hall Town	2	G. W. Settlemire	Old Fort,	"	Robt. F. Hall	Marion,	"
18	Harmony Grove	1	B. B. Harris	Dysartsville,	"	G. M. Walton	Bridgewater,	"
19	*Henry Station, '94		G. W. Settlemire	Old Fort,	"	E. H. Hilliard	Round Knob,	"
20	Macedonia	4	B. B. Harris	Dysartsville,	"	B. E. Watkins	Nealsville,	"
21	Marion	1 & 2	M. M. Landrum	Marion,	"	B. B. Price	Marion,	"
22	Mills' Spring	3	A. T. Jones	Swain's,	S. C.	Butler Jackson	Mills' Spring,	"
23	Montford's Cove	2	T. J. Moss	Forest City,	N. C.	J. W. Morgan	Otter Creek,	"
24	Mountain Creek	3	C. B. Justice	Rutherfordton,	"	H. Portrum	Rutherfordton,	"
25	Mount Vernon	2	G. M. Webb	Shelby,	"	M. L. Wilson	Logan's Store,	"
26	Old Fort	4	M. M. Landrum	Marion,	"	W. M. Mashburn	Old Fort,	"
27	Piney Knob	2	Z. D. Harrill	Ellenboro,	"	J. B. Elliott	Cuba,	"
28	Pleasant Grove	4	H. D. Harrill	Forest City,	"	D. H. Houser	Green Hill,	"
29	Pleasant Hill	1	W. M. Whiteside	Rutherfordton,	"	M. B. Koonce	Mack,	"
30	Rock Spring	2	Z. T. Whiteside	Uree,	"	A. S. Whiteside	Ayr,	"
31	Round Hill	1	C. B. Justice	Rutherfordton,	"	J. D. Morris	Union Mills,	"
32	Rutherfordton	2 & 4	" "	"	"	T. C. Smith	Rutherfordton,	"
33	Silver Creek	1	W. H. Jones	Blue Ridge,	"	H. P. Arledge	Mills' Spring,	"
34	Stone Mountain	2	Elbert Jackson	Turner's,	"	C. M. Nanney	Stone Mountain,	"
35	*Turkey Cove, 1892	2	J. C. Sorrels	Nealsville,	"	W. A. Buchanan	Armstrong,	"
36	Walnut Grove	3	" "	"	"	J. H. Brown	Ashford,	"
37	Whiteside Valley	4	Z. T. Whiteside	Uree,	"	J. R. Whiteside	Chimney Rock,	"
38	*Zion Hill	2	G. W. Settlemire	Old Fort,	"	J. H. Reel	Craggy,	"

*Given in the year named. Not represented in 1896.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Bethel	....	3	1	16	4	....	103	159	262
Bethlehem	3	1	...	1	1	1	45	67	112
Beulah	....	....	....	....	....	....	16	17	33
Big Level	....	6	...	9	6	1	46	70	116
Bill's Creek	14	2	...	12	1	2	30	102	132
Bridgewater	....	8	1	....	5	1	14	18	42
Camp Creek	3	3	1	....	....	2	29	67	96
*Catawba, 1895	....	....	....	....	....	....	13	25	38
*Cherry Spring, 1895	....	....	....	....	....	....	23	28	51
Chimney Rock	....	1	...	4	1	....	4	11	15
*Clear Creek, 1892	....	....	....	....	....	....	52	98	150
Cooper's Gap	20	4	3	6	4	....	93	141	234
Columbus	7	7	4	2	3	....	47	69	116
Dysartsville	9	3	4	3	...	1	53	100	153
Green's Creek	14	5	2	4	....	....	33	70	103
Green River	....	1	...	4	....	....	50	88	138
Hall Town	2	....	....	1	1	1	16	23	39
Harmony Grove	13	12	...	....	....	1	39	57	96
*Henry Station, '94	....	....	....	....	....	....	8	10	18
Macedonia	....	3	...	1	1	1	24	33	57
Marion	1	....	....	4	...	3	31	53	84
Mills' Spring	....	4	1	6	...	1	44	66	110
Montford's Cove	5	1	3	4	3	2	76	141	217
Mountain Creek	8	4	1	3	1	1	122	175	297
Mount Vernon	25	5	1	5	1	3	113	184	297
Old Fort	1	1	...	2	...	2	11	26	47
Piney Knob	2	1	...	5	...	1	27	52	79
Pleasant Grove	1	5	...	9	...	1	41	62	103
Pleasant Hill	....	2	...	1	...	2	65	76	141
Rock Spring	....	....	....	2	1	....	17	50	67
Round Hill	9	8	...	9	...	2	80	145	225
Rutherfordton	2	10	1	10	3	6	69	96	165
Silver Creek	16	1	...	1	...	1	67	94	161
Stone Mountain	4	....	5	10	3	2	36	66	102
*Turkey Cove, 1892	....	....	....	....	....	....	9	32	41
Walnut Grove	6	....	....	....	....	1	3	10	13
Whiteside Valley	13	5	...	2	...	1	22	36	58
*Zion Hill, 1893	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	8	14
Total,	178	106	28	136	39	40	1,577	2,645	4,222

*Not represented.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY'S REPORT.

SCHOOLS.	Superintendents.	Post Offices.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Papers taken.	School Expenses.	State Missions.	H. Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Sunday Schools.	Orphanage.	Total.
Bethel	E. G. Goforth	Nealsville, N. C.	7	28			$ 5 40						1 00	$ 6 40
Bethlehem	Wm. Silver	Old Fort, "	7	57		49	3 25							3 25
Big Level	Jerry Jackson	Poplar Grove, "	5	40		20	6 00			1 10				7 10
Bill's Creek	J. E. Frady	Uree, "	6	40										
Bridgewater	W. P. Hemphill	Bridgewater, "	6	30		36	3 00							3 00
Camp Creek	John Alley	Trio, "	9	58										
Catawba, 1895	W. A. M. Gibson	Old Fort, "	4	20										
Cherry Spring, 1895	W. M. Silver	" " "	5	44										
Cooper's Gap	W. E. Mills	Dimsdale, "	3	40										
Columbus, 1894	J. P. Arledge	Columbus, "	11	110										
Dysartsville	J. D. Taylor	Dysartsville, "	5	64			2 65							2 65
Green's Creek	G. D. Edwards	Blackwood, S. C.	7	42		50	2 50							2 50
Green River	T. P. Covington	Poor's Ford, N. C.	5	50		40	6 50							6 50
Hall Town	W. C. Wall	Marion, "	6	43		16	75							75
Harmony Grove	James Brown	Bridgewater, "	7	50		32	1 00					1 00		2 00
Henry Station, '94			4	20										
Marion	B. B. Price	Marion, "	5	75		80	12 00							12 00
Mills' Spring, Est.	O. T. Baynard, Est.	Mills' Spring, "	6	40	18	12	3 00							3 00
Montford's Cove	J. W. Morgan	Otter Creek, "	8	60		200	5 00							5 00
Mountain Creek	R. P. Geer	Gilkey, "	9	65		45	2 15							2 15
Mount Vernon	N. J. Rollins	Myrtle, "	14	85		80	2 50							2 50
Old Fort	R. H. Moore	Old Fort, "	6	57		100	23 34						1 26	24 60
Piney Knob	W. L. Haynes	Cuba, "	7	35		96	2 40			3 94			1 00	7 34
Pleasant Grove	N. C. Lovelace	Green Hill, "	6	60		24	98							98
Pleasant Hill	M. B. Koone	Mack, "	8	80	3	42	2 20							2 20
Rock Spring, 1894			5	40										
Round Hill, 1895	L. L. Deck	Union Mills, "	6	64										
Rutherfordton	T. C. Smith	Rutherfordton, "	6	90		90	20 00	7 50						27 50
Silver Creek	J. A. McGraw	Mills' Spring, "	5	50										
Stone Mountain	J. I. Moffitt	Stone Mountain, "	4	42		27	1 35							1 35
Walnut Grove	J. H. Brown	Ashford, "	3	27										
Whiteside Valley	S. J. Collins	Grassy Knob, "	8	45	6	146	4 00				128			5 28
Flack's School House	M. B. Flack, Est.	Cuba, "	3	70		500								5 00
Irving's " "	J. W. Metcalf "	Green Hill, "	4	60		300								3 00
Piedmont " "	Melvin Hyder "	Mack, "	4	70		200								2 00
Pleasant Grove-branch	D. H. Houser "	Green Hill, "	3	50		100								1 00
Chimney Rock, 1894	C. G. Nanney	Chimney Rock, "	5	44										
Total			220	1943	27	2283	109 97	7 50		5 04	128	1 00	3 26	139 05

From reports to last S. S. Association it was shown that of the 824 scholars then reported 426 were known to be church members. They also reported 53 conversions. By above ratio, in 1943 scholars there would be 1002 church members, or a little less than one fourth of our entire membership last year which was given at 4085.

W. M. WHITESIDE,
Secretary Green River S. S. Association.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental expenses.	Poor.	Minute Fund.	Other objects and repairs.	Total.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Sunday Schools.	Orphanage.	Minister's Relief.	Other Objects.	Total.	Grand Total.
Bethel	100 00	133 50		1 25		$234 75	28 55		13 45				1 00		43 00	$ 277 7
Bethlehem	50 00			75		50 75	1 80		5 10		3 25	1 33			11 48	62 2
Beulah				25		25	1 68								1 68	1 6
Big Level	40 00	8 00	2 35	95		51 30	2 00	2 00	2 00			2 00	40		8 40	59 7
Bill's Creek	44 10		1 35	55		46 00	2 00	3 00	1 50						6 50	52 5
Bridgewater	77 51			2 00		79 51	10 00	5 00	a25 00				2 72		42 72	122 2
Camp Creek	40 00	4 00	5 00	85		49 85			1 00						1 00	50 8
*Catawba, 1895	Est. 1895															
*Cherry Spring, '95	Est. 1895															
Chimney Rock																
*Clear Creek, 1892																
Cooper's Gap	32 05	12 08		75	40 10	84 98			5 28				3 07		8 35	93 3
Columbus				86		86		3 20	5 00						8 20	9 0
Dysartsville	35 00	6 45		50	2 00	43 95	4 53	1 60						10 09	16 13	60 0
Green's Creek	75 00	13 00		65	4 70	93 35			3 00						3 00	96 3
Green River	40 00	2 05		2 07		44 12	4 00		2 18						6 18	50 3
Hall Town	22 00	2 42		15		24 57	2 50		80			2 20			5 50	30 0
Harmony Grove	30 00			45		30 45	8 05		2 00						10 05	40 5
*Henry Station, '94	Est. 1894															
Macedonia	52 00					32 50										32 5
Marion	150 00	25 00		1 00		176 00	12 65	1 60	9 85			4 05	2 50		30 65	206 6
Mills' Spring	24 42			40		24 82			2 00						2 00	26 8
Montsford's Cove	80 00	18 72		1 70		100 42	1 90		5 00						6 90	107 3
Mountain Creek	100 00			3 00		103 00	29 00	10 00	41 10	10 00		1 00	1 00	25 47	117 57	220 5
Mount Vernon		28 05	35 60	1 75		65 40	11 00	5 36	10 85						27 21	92 6
Old Fort	55 00			45		55 45	6 75	5 00	2 20				1 40		15 35	70 8
Piney Knob	50 00	5 00		35		55 35	1 99	2 09	5 00	1 12		1 53			11 73	67 0
Pleasant Grove	57 00	5 09		1 10		63 19	1 00	1 62	3 05	1 00					6 67	75 8
Pleasant Hill	27 00	57 30		1 55		85 85	3 00	1 10	10 00			1 00	1 00		16 10	101 9
Rock Spring	15 20			45		15 65	1 45		6 00						7 45	23 1
Round Hill	75 00	16 70	7 45	1 05		100 20	20 00	7 00	20 00	7 00		2 65			56 65	156 8
Rutherfordton	200 00	41 00	10 00	2 95		253 95	87 00	67 00	100 00	8 00		11 00	1 00	40 00	314 00	567 9
Silver Creek	56 30			1 15		57 45	1 26		10 17						11 43	68 8
Stone Mountain	45 05			75		45 80	2 25		5 33					3 00	10 58	56 3
*Turkey Cove, 1893	Est. 1893															
Walnut Grove		3 00		50	450 00	453 50										453 5
Whiteside Valley	7 45	70 30	2 00	63		80 38	1 50	2 60	5 00						9 10	89 4
*Zion Hill, 1893	Est. 1893															
Total	1550 48	401 66	63 75	30 81	496 80	2603 60	235 86	118 17	292 86	27 12	3 25	26 76	14 09	78 47	815 58	$3425 1

*Not represented.

a $5 of this for Gospel Missions.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions	Home Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Aged Ministers.	Gospel Mission.	TOTAL.
Bethel	28 55	13 45		1 00		1 00		$ 44 00
Bethlehem	4 39	5 10						9 44
Beulah	1 68							1 68
Big Level	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00		40		8 40
Bill's Creek	5 00	2 00						7 00
Bridgewater	15 00	20 00	5 00			2 72		42 72
Camp Creek		1 00						1 00
Catawba								
Cherry Spring		2 65						2 65
Chimney Rock								
Clear Creek								
Columbus	3 42	5 00						8 42
Cooper's Gap		5 28						5 28
Dysartsville	4 51		1 60					6 11
Green River	4 00	2 78						6 38
Green's Creek		3 00						3 00
Hall Town	2 50	80		2 20				5 50
Harmony Grove	8 05	2 00						10 05
Henry Station								
Macedonia								
Marion	18 15	14 66	1 60			2 50		36 91
Mill Spring		5 03						5 03
Montford's Cove	1 90	5 00						6 90
Mountain Creek	29 00	41 00	10 00	1 00	10 00	1 00	20 30	112 30
Mount Vernon	11 00	10 85	5 36					27 21
Old Fort	12 88	3 70				1 40		17 97
Piney Knob	1 99	2 00	2 09	2 53	1 12		8 94	18 67
Pleasant Grove	1 00	3 05	1 05					5 10
Pleasant Hill	3 00	8 57	1 10	1 00		1 00		14 67
Rock Spring	1 45	6 00						7 45
Round Hill	23 00	20 00	7 00	2 65	7 00			59 65
Rutherfordton	86 16	100 00	69 76	11 00	8 00	1 00		275 92
Silver Creek	1 26	9 13						10 39
Stone Mountain	80	5 33						6 13
Turkey Cove								
Walnut Grove								
Whiteside Valley	3 00	5 00	2 60					10 60
Zion Hill		75						75
Individuals	6 50	97 60			5 00			109 10
Col. at session	31 18							31 18
Grand total	311 37	402 33	109 16	23 38	31 12	11 02	29 24	$ 917 62

WE have examined the receipts of A. L. Grayson, Treasurer of Green River Association, and find that he has properly paid out the sum of $917.62, as reported.

T. C. SMITH, } *Auditing*
J. M. TOMS, } *Committee.*

The collections reported above include Sunday's collection for

State Missions	$9 11
Friday's collection for Walnut Grove	22 07

which church is located on the mission field.

Marion church contributed, through its Sunbeam Society,	1 81
Woman's Missionary Society	8 50
Piney Knob church, through its Sunday school	6 94
Rutherfordton church, " "	7 50
Woman's Missionary Society	98 68

The colportage fund reported last year has been invested in Bibles and Testaments to use on the mission fields. When supply is sold, additional supplies being furnished, which are sold by the missionaries at cost price.

They have kindly consented to act as colporteurs without extra charge. Respectfully submitted,

A. L. GRAYSON,
Treasurer Green River Association.

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OFFICERS.

WM. M. BLANTON, MODERATOR, ... Marion, N. C.
ALBERT L. GRAYSON, TREASURER, ... Rutherfordton, N. C.
A. P. SORRELS, CLERK, ... Gilkey, N. C.

Ordained Ministers.

Elder	C C Case,	Columbus,	Polk County,	N. C.
"	J R Denton,	Dysartsville,	McDowell "	"
"	H D Harrill,	Forest City,	Rutherford "	"
"	B B Harris,	Dysartsville,	McDowell "	"
"	Elbert Jackson	Turner,	Polk "	"
"	C B Justice,	Rutherfordton,	Rutherford "	"
"	T B Justice,	"	" "	"
"	W H Logan,	Ayr,	" "	"
"	A B Mashburn,	Nealsville,	McDowell "	"
"	J I Moffitt,	Stone Mountain,	" "	"
"	M M Landrum,	Marion,	" "	"
"	J C Sorrels,	Nealsville,	" "	"
"	G W Settlemire,	Old Fort,	" "	"
"	E L Taylor,	Rutherfordton,	Rutherford "	"
"	Z T Whitesides,	Uree,	" "	"
"	C E Gower,	Lincolnton,	Lincoln "	"
"	W M Whitesides,	Rutherfordton,	Rutherford "	"
"	J M Walker,	"	" "	"
"	B K Mason,	Marion,	McDowell "	"
"	M C Elliott,	Rocky Pass,	" "	"

Licentiates.

J M Taylor,	Rutherfordton,	Rutherford County,	N. C.
M A Harvey,	Old Fort,	McDowell "	"
W L Haynes,	Green Hill,	Rutherford "	"

PROCEEDINGS.

MONTFORD'S COVE BAPTIST CHURCH,
Rutherford County, N. C., Sept. 30, 1897.

The fifty-seventh annual session of the Green River Baptist Association convened with the church at 12, m., today.

Hymn: "I am Waiting," etc.

By appointment at last annual session C. B. Justice, after reading St. Matt. 13, 1-35 and prayer, and the hymn "Jesus Lover of my Soul," preached the Introductory sermon from St. Matt. 13, 34-35. Prayer by J. C. Sorrels.

Address of welcome by pastor of the church, T. J. Moss. Benediction by B. K. Mason.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The association re-assembled at 2 o'clock.

In the absence of M. M. Landrum, former moderator, A. L. Rucker, clerk at last session, requested W. H. Logan to preside until the association shall have been permanently organized.

After remarks by W. H. Logan and prayer by F. C. Hickson and the appointment of T. B. Justice and N. B. Hampton as assistant clerks, the roll of churches was called, letters presented and read, and names of delegates enrolled as follows (ministers in italics):

BETHEL—*J C Sorrels, A B Mashburn*, J W Grayson, C B Morris, W C Morris, L L Goforth, J F Morgan.
BETHLEHEM—N C Jones, W H Gilliam.
BEULAH—W G Splawn, John Culbreth.
BIG LEVEL—J H Gibbs, N T Mills, T M Ruppe.
BILL'S CREEK.—*W. H. Logan*, Wm. Flynn, I. E. Frady, W. R. Taylor.
BRIDGEWATER.—Wm. P. Hemphill, J. C. Price.
CAMP CREEK.—J. L. Barnes, John A. Clements, Geo. A. Guffy.
CATAWBA.—Not represented.
CHERRY SPRING—W L Moffett, James M Webb.

CHIMNEY ROCK—Not represented.
CLEAR CREEK—A Silver, N Bee Chanan.
COOPER'S GAP—H K Com, Raider Jackson, A L McMurray.
COLUMBUS—N B Hampton, James F Ridings, Columbus Jones.
DYSARTSVILLE—W H Taylor, W S Walker, F L Queen L G Price.
GREEN'S CREEK—Isaiah Rabum, Jno E Smith, Alexander Feagans.
GREEN RIVER—T P Covington, J H Blanton, J A Davis, A L Henderson.
HALL TOWN—John Lewis, W C Wall.
HARMONY GROVE—L M Simmons, M A Rowe.
HENRY STATION—Not represented.
MACEDONIA—J A Arrowood, B E Watkins.
MARION—*B K Mason*, Wm M Blanton, B B Price.
MILLS' SPRING—J B Whiteside, J R Phillips, Butler Jackson.
MONTFORD'S COVE—J W Morgan, J W Halford, J A Wilkinson, M Wilkinson, J A Nichols.
MOUNTAIN CREEK—A F Geer, Thos Flack, J F Edwards, A P Rucker, M L Sorrels, C M Keeter.
MOUNT VERNON—Jas J Hardin, Jos C Egerton, E M Morgan, W N S Rollins.
OLD FORT—G M Keeter, J S Bradley.
PINEY KNOB—W L Bland, M L Haynes.
PLEASANT GROVE—N C Lovelace, Richard Ledbetter.
PLEASANT HILL—Jno M Walker, M B Koone, Lee Taylor, M D Hill, C C Lovelace.
ROCK SPRING—W R Frady, H M Whiteside.
ROUND HILL—L L Deck, I P Sorrels, Wm. M Nanney, A P. Sorrels, A Nanney.
RUTHERFORDTON—*E L Taylor, C B Justice, H D Harrill, T B Justice, W M Whiteside*, A L Grayson, W T Payseur.
SILVER CREEK—*Elbert Jackson*, John Arledge, C C Collins, E A Arledge, J A McGraw.
STONE MOUNTAIN—J I Moffitt, J I Nanney, S B Grant.
TURKEY COVE—R P Hollifield.
WALNUT GROVE—Represented by Letter.
WHITESIDE VALLEY—C G Nanney, P P Parker.
ZION HILL—Not represented.

The moderator, pro. tem., announced the annual election of officers in order. On motion the rules were suspended and the following were chosen by acclamation:

Moderator.—Wm. M. Blanton.

Clerk.—A. P. Sorrels.

Treasurer.—A. L. Grayson.

On motion of H. D. Harrill the sessions of the Association were fixed as given below:

Meet at 9.30, a. m., and spend half an hour in devotional exercises. Adjourn at 12 m. Meet at 1, p. m., and adjourn at pleasure.

An opportunity was given to recently constituted churches desiring membership in this body, when letters were presented from the following new churches:

Eureka, Cane Creek and Sunny Vale.

These with accompanying papers were referred to the following committee: C. B. Justice, H. D Harrill and L. L. Deck.

Committee on Religious Exercises announced: Pastor, and deacons of this church.

Correspondents from other Associations enrolled: Elders T. J. Moss, J. F. Alexander, Z. D. Harrill and Bro. J. W. Smith from the Sandy Run; J. B. Freeman from the Carolina; and Elder F. C. Hickson from the Broad River.

On motion adjourned until 9.30, a. m., tomorrow.

Benediction by T. B. Justice.

Second Day—Morning Session.

Friday, Oct. 1st, 1897.

The association met pursuant to adjournment. The devotional exercises were conducted by T. B. Justice. The body was called to order by the moderator.

On motion the reading of yesterday's proceedings was dispensed with.

The roll of messengers was called and absentees noted. A few churches not represented yesterday presented letters, which were read and messengers enrolled.

The committee on New Church Organization reported as follows:

We, the committee appointed to report on the advisability of receiving into the association the newly constituted churches of Cane Creek, Eureka and Sunny Vale, having investigated the matter, and having taken into consideration all the facts, recommend that they be received and their delegates enrolled.

C B JUSTICE,
L L DECK,
H D HARRILL, } Committee.

Committeeman Harrill not signing as to Eureka.

On motion the report was adopted and messengers enrolled as follows:

CANE CREEK—W F Jones, J M Gibbs.
EUREKA—*Z T Whiteside*, A S Whiteside.
SUNNY VALE—J P Padgett, *Isaiah Ratcliff*.

A. L. Grayson read as follows:

Treasurer's Condensed Report.

Received since last meeting of this body :

State Missions,	$158 03
Foreign Missions,	273 87
Home Missions,	30 27
Home Missions Box,	39 95
Ministerial Education,	1 00
Orphanage,	43 16
Sunday School Missions,	2 83
Aged Ministers,	5 00
Miscellaneous,	13 60
Total,	$567 71

The above and amounts received during the session of this association to be submitted to auditing committee.

A. L. GRAYSON, Treasurer.

Committees announced by moderator:

Finance.—A L Grayson, E M Morgan, E A Arledge, A P Rucker.

Orphanage - H D Harrill, J B Whiteside, G M Keeter, Lee Taylor.

Deceased Ministers—Elbert Jackson, W L Bland, S B Grant, Wm M Nanney.

Aged Ministers—J C Sorrels, R P Hollifield, C G Nanney, N B Hampton.

State of Religion—John M Walker, Joseph C Egerton, M L Sorrels, N C Jones.

Temperance—T B Justice, Butler Jackson, H M Whitesides, T P Covington.

Education—W M Whitesides, W H Taylor, L M Simmons, J W Halford and W C Morris.

Missions—C B Justice, J H Blanton, C M Keeter, C C Lovelace.

Nominations to State and Southern Baptist Conventions—J W Morgan, L L Deck, T M Ruppe, John Culbreth.

Associational History—Z T Whiteside, Wm P Hemphill, H K Com, W C Wall.

Nominations, Board of Missions and Sunday Schools-J L Barnes, A Silver, J S Bradley, J H Gibb.

Nominate Members of Board of Sate Missions—M D Hill, L L Deck.

On Time, Place, Introductory and Missionary Sermons-A L Grayson, W P Hemphill, J W Morgan.

The report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools was read by the chairman, C. B. Justice.

Annual Report of the Board of Missions and S. Schools.

To the Green River Association:

Dear Brethren:—It is with profound gratitude to Almighty God that we submit to you this our Annual Report. God has of His infinite goodness and mercy, in a wonderful manner, poured out His Holy Spirit on us as a people during the past year. Many of our churches have enjoyed precious seasons of revival which have resulted in the conversion of a large number of souls. In many instances the membership has been increased by additions that are valuable, and that will doubtless be helpful in the years to come.

STATE MISSIONS.

At the first meeting of the Board after the last session of the Association Bro. J. C. Sorrels was appointed for three-fourth of his time, to preach at Walnut Cove, Clear Greek, Toms Creek, Turkey

Cove, etc., at a salary of $150.00 in addition to what might be paid him in the field. We also appropriated $25.00 to the support of Bro. W. M. Whitesides at Cherry Spring, and $50.00 to the support of the pastor at Bridgewater. Brethren Sorrels and Whitesides have put in full time on their fields, while Bro. B. K. Mason has labored seven months at Bridgewater. Bro Sorrels has preached 126 sermons and baptized 11, conversions 25, re-organized one church. Bro Whiteside has preached 22 sermons, conversions 6, and baptized 4. The churches at Clear Creek and Cherry Springs are arranging to build houses of worship. The outlook on this field is encouraging, the prospects are bright and full of possibilities. There has come into the hands of the Treasurer, since the last session of your body, for this department of our work $158.03, deducting this amount from the amount of appropriations for the present year leaves $204.12, and the $94.00 debt brought over from last year there remains still to be provided a deficiency of $140.00. This amount ought to be raised at once so that the work next year could be commenced free of debt. Bro Sorrels is willing to accept the appointment for all of his time as missionary on the field where he has been laboring, and owing to the extent of the destitution and the fact that one man can not supply all the points at which regular services ought to be maintained, it might be well to appoint another missionary on this field for at least a part of his time. While it has been a year of prosperity to our churches at home, the Lord has crowned the efforts of our Boards and the labors of our missionaries with success. As we review the work of the year and note the results, we can look up and sing: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

During the year ending April 1st, 1897, the Foreign Mission Board had under appointment 80 missionaries, 38 native ordained native helpers, and 72 unordained native helpers, making a total of 190 workers engaged in preaching the gospel to 95 churches and at 141 out stations. There were baptized into the fellowship of these churches during the year 660 members, making a total membership of 4,324. These churches contributed during the year to the support of the gospel, building church houses, sustaining schools, etc. $6,658. "Four of the missionaries in China draw no salary this year."

ARE MISSIONS A FAILURE?

"These old sayings, 'Missions are a failure,' and 'Nothing has been accomplished,' are such chestnuts, that it might seem like time wasted, again to answer them. Yet there are so many people, who live in such utter ignorance of what has been accomplished, that we have again and again to give the facts. Let us say here just this plain truth, if up to this time there were no visible results, and not one convert, the command to us from the Master would be just as imperative to go and disciple all nations, as it is, to-day with all the visible results. God never tells us to be successful, but ever to be faithful. There are, however, most blessed results which cheer and strengthen us in the work.

See what has been accomplished in the homeland. The Word of the Lord has taken hold upon the people, and prejudice and opposition have been largely swept away. Those who have read of the early history of modern missions know somewhat of the cruel witbiting sarcasm, and depressing opposition, both in and out of the church, which were heaped upon the movement. To-day all this is changed. The man who opposes Foreign Missions confronts facts and figures which stun and stulify him. Dr. Pierson has said, 'That the same England that sneered at Carey is to-day prouder of him than Macedon was of Alexander, Athens of Pericles, or Rome of Cicero.'

This work has awakened our churches to higher, holier living, and more consecrated zeal for God. The Sunday school and revival movements came along with the missionary movement. Reaching out for those afar, makes us reach for those at our doors. See how the spirit of the work has developed. At first it was difficult, very difficult, to get men or means. Sixty-five dollars and one man, whose wife was opposed to going, stand out conspicuously. Now we have annually over $15,000,000 and 12,000 missionaries on the fields, and at home over 5,000 connected with the student's volunteer movement, besides others, who are getting ready to go.

Schools, colleges, newspapers, and governments, are finding out that the great Book of all, is God's Book, and that the teaching of that is, Christ for the world, and the world must be won to Christ. All which works to that end is in harmony with God's purpose. He is to rule. His kingdom must be supreme.

See what has been done on the foreign fields. Less than one hundred years ago the nations were inaccessible. Pride, lust, avarice and iniquity joined with ignorance, superstition and idolatry, to keep out or destroy the missionary. Today this has greatly changed, and the missionary goes everywhere the harbinger of peace, light and life. Bishop Thoburn, of India, said in an address some time ago, that since he had gone out, the door of access had been thrown open to over 700,000,000 people, about half of the human race.

Formerly ignorance of language stood in the way, now 360 languages and dialects join in cadence of praise to Jehovah, and the confusion of Babel is giving way to unison with the note Jesus. Some of these languages were not even reduced to writing until the missionary rendered that useful service, to teach of God and His truth.

It is impossible to tell of how hoary superstitions have been broken down, how heathen temples and religions are going to decay, and are now toppling, ready to fall. Surely the undermining process is going on. It is expressed in the Mohammedan lands in the terse but meaning sentence, 'Where a Christian school goes up, a mosque comes down.'

Judson prayed that he might be able to translate the Scriptures and see 100 converts. He not only translated the Scriptures but saw 7,361 converts. That was not a failure..

Among the Telugus, in 1866, there were 11 baptisms and 38 members; in 1889 there were 6,000 baptisms and 40,000 members. That was not a failure.

In Africa it is estimated that there are over 17,000 converts annually, and the work is only fairly begun. That is not a failure.

India formerly furnished forty women a day to be burned with their dead husbands; all this has been done away and the religion of Christ gone into thousands of hearts and homes. That is not failure.

In 1872 the first church was organized in Japan; twenty years after, there were 365 churches, 35,000 church members, 359 theological students and 233 ordained native preachers. That is not failure.

The time would fail to tell of China with her fifty or sixty thousand converts. Of the wonderful work in Madagascar and other iles of the oceans. Of the work in South America, Mexico, and all over the world.

To-day with 12,011 foreign missionaries, 60,164 native assistants, 1,251,175 communicants, in the foreign lands, and the number doubling in less than every ten years on an average, who can say the work is a failure and nothing has been done?

Some say progress has been slow and at great expense. Pioneering is always expensive in men and means. When we build it costs much to lay deep, broad foundations. In putting the great bridge across the Mississippi, at Memphis, the granite piers were sunk fifty

feet through water, then fifty feet through mud and debris to get solid foundations. One hundred feet of solid granite sunk out of sight! But it was not a waste, for it meant the safety of the thousands and hundreds of thousands who now go over. God's work cannot cost too much if done as he commands. Neither is it failure. Much of the Mission work up to this time has been a series of beginnings. Foundations have been laid; but the future will show results most glorious. Let us take new courage and press forward in God's name.

The morning is dawning on nations which long have sat in night and darkness. The people see a great light. These hundreds of thousands in foreign lands rejoicing in God's truth, with thousands of others who have gone from these lands to glory, know that the work is not a failure, but only well begun.

When men go to war here to gain possessions, or hold territory, they do not count it failure if in the struggle millions of money are sunk, and tens of thousands of men lose their lives. Shall we who undertake to conquer this world for God speak of failure, or lose courage if a few men fall in the lines? Our cause is more valuable than our lives. We may fall, but the cause shall never fail till the kingdoms of this world become the kingdom of our God and His Christ. Herein is success and victory over which angels and redeemed souls shall shout in Heaven eternally."

The receipts of the Foreign Mission Board last year were $125,-681.99. Of this amount $107,314.07 was expended on the work of the year, and $18,367.79 on the indebtedness of the Board. The following extract from the report of the Board to the Convention at its last session will show the economy of the Board's work:

"A simple calculation shows that of all funds received at Richmond about ninety-two cents on the dollar went to the missionaries. That is, eight cents was used for all expenses here, including interest and the cost of the Woman's Missionary Union. The interest account ran up our expenses 1.7 per cent., so that the actual expenses were only a little over six cents on the dollar. As can be seen from the report, the expenses of the Woman's Missionary Union are small, owing to the fact that the faithful sisters in charge in Baltimore have always done the arduous work there without taking any remuneration.

The eight cents named above does not include the State expenses for collecting Foreign Mission funds. These average on all receipts less than five per cent. Adding the State expenses and the expenses at Richmond we have for all expenses thirteen cents on the dollar.

It might be well to say that when our receipts increase to twice what they are now it will not be necessary very materially to increase the expense account. The way to decrease the per cent. of expenses is to increase the gifts. With our present organization, so wisely planned by our fathers, we can easily do much more work as the years go by without any great increase in expenses.

WOMAN'S WORK.

The sisters have earnestly pressed forward in the work of the Master during the past year. They have disseminated information, quickened the interest in many churches, and given their time and money for the Master."

Below we give a report of the work of the Woman's Missionary Union:

Letters written 9,309, Postals written 230, Leaflets, Pamphlets, etc., distributed 124,962, Christmas Envelopes 67,230, Missions cards (prayer) 22,253, Mite barrels or boxes 4,032, Papers 3,040. Contributed to Foreign Missions $23,476.33.

We can not speak in too high terms of the self-denial and zeal of the Baptist women of our Southern churches.

At a former meeting of your Board Rev. H. D. Harrill was asked to take charge of the Home Mission work in the Association, and Rev. W. M. Whiteside was asked to look after State Missions. For reports on these subjects we refer you to the above named brethren.

C. B. JUSTICE, Chairman.

On motion the subject of Foreign Missions was made special order for one o'clock to-day.

J. C. Caddell, representing the Biblical Recorder; Archibald Johnson, representing the Baptist Orphanage; Elder John E. White, representing State Missions; and Walter E. Sikes, representing Wake Forest College, were all recognized in their several relations.

By permission, J. C. Caddell and A. Johnson spoke briefly in the interest of the Recorder and Charity and Children, in the absence of a report on periodicals; and each obtaining a number of subscribers for his paper.

The business of the Association was suspended and F. C. Hickson preached an eloquent and impressive sermon from Gal. 6:7.

On motion, adjourned one hour for dinner.

Afternoon Session.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

According to previous appointment the report on Foreign Missions was discussed; F. C. Hickson leading, followed by John E. White and C. B. Justice. A collection was taken amounting to twenty dollars.

The committee on education reported, by offering the following report of last year for adoption by this body:

EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education report as follows:

We regard education as a mighty power for good, when properly used in the furtherance of our denominational work and the upbuilding of the kingdom of our blessed Master.

While we appreciate and commend a collegiate education in all cases where such advantages are attainable, we fully recognize the fact that the fundamental principles and the intermediate development of the rising generation in primary and preparatory schools should be cautiously and zealously guarded against the implanting of wrong ideas and frivolous impressions. We regard the moral training of the mind and the sowing of the seeds of truth as paramount objects in the education of both males and females.

We would rejoice to know that every school of whatever grade, and for whatever sex or race, was permeated with christian influences and devoid of clubs or organizations for amusements or otherwise, whose tendencies are toward ungodliness and frivolty.

We believe that christian education is above all other forms, and

that christian schools and colleges should be sustained and patronized in preference to any secular or State Institutions.

We recognize in Wake Forest College a powerful aid to worthy young men who strive to attain to a higher plain of chaistian usefulness; we endorse its management as judicious and its influences as wholesome and elevating. We recommend to pastors and churches that they do all in their power to strengthen this, our State denominational institution of learning.

We regard ministerial education as important among the objects which our denomination is fostering, and advise that no church or pastor fail to send up a substantial token of their remembrance.

We are in full sympathy with the effort to complete and equip the Baptist Female University now in course of construction, and believe that it is just and fair to the women of to-day, the wives of the future, and the mothers of unborn generations, that we give of our means and influence to the completion and success of this great institution.

W. M. WHITESIDE, Chairman.

W. E. Sikes, J. W. Smith, and W. M. Whitesides spoke on the report.

The following resolution was offered and with the report was adopted:

Resolved, That this Association raise one hundred dollars each year to be a loan fund for the aiding of worthy young men desiring to attend Wake Forest. This fund to be loaned on the same plan as the Bostic fund is loaned. W. M. WHITESIDE.

The report on Orphanage was made special order for 10 o'clock to-morrow, and State Missions for 11 o'clock.

The committee on nominations to the next sessions of the State and Southern Baptist Conventions, read the following report which was adopted:

Your committee on nominations recommend the appointment of B K Mason, T B Justice, J C Sorrels, W M Whiteside, C B Justice, J M Walker, Z T Whiteside and H D Harrill as delegates to the State Convention, and C B Justice as delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.

J. W. MORGAN, Chairman.

Adjourned to 9:30 a. m., to-morrow.

Benediction by T. B. Justice.

THIRD DAY—Morning Session.

Association met at 9:30 o'clock.

Devotional exercises conducted by Prof. W. E. Sikes.

The Moderator, at 10 o'clock, announced the body in order for business.

The minutes of yesterday were not read, and on motion, A. L. Grayson, L. L. Deck and T. B. Justice were requested to examine said minutes and make the necessary corrections.

H. D. Harrill read the report on Orphanage.

REPORT.

Twelve years ago the Baptists of North Carolina organized the Orphanage and located it at Thomasville in Davidson county. Nearly five hundred of the children of our dead brethren have found a home within its walls. There are 160 children at the Orphanage now. Since the last session of this Association a splendid school building has been erected and is now in daily use. This feature of our work, heretofore the weakest, is now among our strongest points. The children have a first-class graded school, taught by competent and christian teachers. The new building will give the Orphanage capacity for 200 children, but the next thing to be enlarged is the fund for the support of the work. We recommend that the churches in this Association increase their contributions to aid the Orphans. We believe in the blessedness of giving and that the Lord's richest blessings will come on those who aid this work. We urge our churches to take two collections each for the Orphange, one at Thanksgiving and the other at some other favorable time, and that the Sunday Schools take one collection a month for this blessed cause.

H D HARRILL,
G M KEETER, } Committee.
J L TAYLOR,

The report was discussed by H. D. Harrill, A. Johnson and C. B. Justice, and was then adopted.

Collection for Orphanage $11.73.

The report on State Missions was read as follows:

STATE MISSIONS.

We are glad to report wonderful progress made by our State Missionaries. During our last Convention year we had ninety-eight missionaries who preached 9,603 sermons, witnessed 1,550 conversions, baptized 1,036. Are not these facts gratifying? We had four of these missionaries in our own Association up to this associational year, and at our last Association we were behind ninety dollars on their pay. This year we have only two in this field and now owe $35.00 on back salaries.

We recommend that this amount be raised at this session, and that we hereafter supply the existing destitution, if possible. We can not afford to depend on others while we can do the work ourselves.

W M WHITESIDE, Chairman.

Remarks were made by J. C. Sorrels, followed by a sermon from Acts 1:8, preached by John E White.

A collection of $11.42 was taken, and the report on State Missions was adopted.

Adjourned till one o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The finance committee reported as follows:

Amount sent for publication of Minutes from the churches $33.58, and recommend that this amount be supplemented to an amount sufficient to pay the Clerk $10.00 for his services in addition to cost of publishing minutes and getting blank church letters.

A L GRAYSON,
A P RUCKER, E M MORGAN, } Committee.
G B MELTON, E A ARLEDGE,

A collection was taken increasing the minute fund to $39.66 and the report was adopted.

The report on Sabbath Schools was read by W. M. Whiteside, chairman of the Sunday School Board of this Association.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, the Sunday School Board, are glad to report this year as one of the brightest in our work. We have had five Sunday School Associations since the last meeting of this body, and we believe that they have been the means of accomplishing great good. Nearly all of our churches have reported good Sunday Schools. Our people are realizing the fact that we need a Sunday School in each church. We raised at these five meetings, amounts as follows:

Foreign Missions	$27 35
State Missions	5 00
Orphanage	4 32
S. S. Missions	2 83
Bibles furnished six destitute families	1 20
S. S. Ex. by Board	2 80
	$43 50

At the last meeting of the Sunday School Association it was agreed to ask this Association to consider whether there is any need existing for a Sunday School missionary in the Association and if we shall provide for one.

Discussed by W. M. Whiteside, and adopted by the body.

T. B. Justice, by request, read the report of committee to nominate member of State Board of Missions.

Committee named W. M. Whiteside for the position, and the Association endorsed their action.

Elbert Jackson reported for the committee on Deceased Ministers, thus:

The committee is thankful to report that the lives of all the ministers of the Green River Association, have been precious in the sight of our kind Heavenly Father during the past year.

ELBERT JACKSON,
WM M NANNEY,
S B GRANT,
W L BLAND,
J E SMITH,
Committee.

T. B. Justice read the following report on

TEMPERANCE.

We believe the cause of Temperance is growing throughout this Association. There is no excuse for any church tolerating the influence of strong drink. And we suggest that a discountenancing of drinkers, sellers and producers, socially, would avoid the necessity of much church discipline.

The sorrow and destitution resulting from the use of liquor is too apparent to admit of the least allowance being made for its presence among us. Instilling total abstinance as a principal of christianity, based upon Paul's injunction to "Touch not, taste not, handle not the unclean thing," is the duty of every pastor and should be emphasized

till the curse of strong drink is driven from the land.

T B JUSTICE,
H M WHITESIDE,
BUTLER JACKSON,
} Committee.

The report was adopted after several short talks by the brethren.

W. M. Whiteside read the following report on

MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

Since 1890, this Board has been a part of our conventional work. And the cause has grown in interest wherever it has been presented to the churches and the Association. During the present year fourteen old ministers and those dependent on them, making in all about thirty persons, who have received aid from this Board.

According to the organization of this Board no one receives any pay for services to the Board. So every cent contributed to this cause goes direct to those dependent upon its benefaction. Only half of what is contributed to this Board is expended. The other half is invested and the interest only is used. We have now about $1,500.00 invested from which we receive interest.

We are constantly receiving applications for help; and in view of this fact, we confidentially appeal to the churches to do more for this work than ever before.

J C SORRELS,
C G NANNEY,
R P HOLLIFIELD,
N B HAMPTON,
Committee.

This report was adopted.

The following report on associational history was read by Z. T. Whiteside.

Your committee on Associational History submit

1st, That we learn that Elder W. H. Logan has prepared a historical sketch of Bill's Creek church which will be handed to our historian at an early day.

2nd. We emphasize the recommendation of the committee of last year, that each church appoint at an early day some suitable brother to prepare a brief sketch of his church, and deliver the same into the hands of our associational historian, A. L. Rucker, before our next annual meeting.

Z T WHITESIDE,
W C WALL,
H K CORN,
W P HEMPHILL,
Committee.

A. L. Rucker spoke on this report urging that each church comply with the report.

The report of the committee recommending that Elder W. M. Whiteside be appointed one of the Board of State Missions, was adopted.

The committee on time, place, introductory, and missionary sermons, reported as follows:

We recommend that the next meeting of the Green River Association be held with the Pleasant Hill church on the usual time, and that Elder B. K. Mason preach the introductory sermon, and Elder Z.

T. Whiteside, alternate; also T. B. Justice the missionary sermon.

A L GRAYSON,
J W MORGAN,
W P HEMPHILL, } Committee.

Report adopted.

The committee on board of Associational Missions submit the following

REPORT.

We, the committee, report the following names as members of the Associational Board of Missions and Sunday Schools with C. B. Justice, of Rutherfordton, as Chairman.

Bulah—Joshua Pitman ..... Mills Springs, N. C.
Big Level—Jerry Jackson ..... Poplar Grove, "
Chimney Rock—W M Henderson ..... Chimney Rock, "
Cooper's Gap—H K Corn ..... Dimsdale, "
Columbus—J P Arledge ..... Columbus, "
Green's Creek—J E Smith ..... Collinsville, "
Green River—J H Blanton ..... Poors Ford, "
Montford's Cove—L D Hemphill ..... Otter Creek, "
P. Knob—J F Bland ..... Cuba, "
Pleasant Grove—N C Lovelace ..... Green Hill, "
Rock Spring—H M Whiteside ..... Poplar Grove, "
Rutherfordton—A L Grayson ..... Rutherfordton, "
Rutherfordton—T C Smith ..... Rutherfordton, "
Rutherfordton—H D Harrill ..... Forest City, "
Rutherfordton—J M Toms ..... Rutherfordton, "
Rutherfordton—J H Callahan ..... Rutherfordton, "
Rutherfordton—W T Payseur ..... Rutherfordton, "
Silver Creek—J A McCraw ..... Mills Spring, "
Mills Spring—I D Horton ..... Mills Spring, "
Whiteside Valley—S J Collins ..... Grassy Knob, "
Pleasant Hill—M D Hill ..... Rutherfordton, "
Bethel—Z V Morris ..... Nealsville, "
Bethlehem—A W Gilliam ..... Old Fort, "
Bridgewater—W P Hemphill ..... Bridgewater, "
Camp Creek—J A Clements ..... Trio, "
Catawba—M A Harvey ..... Old Fort "
Clear Creek—Newton Buchanan ..... Greenlee, "
Cherry Springs—Wilson Moffett ..... Old Fort, "
Dysartsville—W H Taylor ..... Dysartsville, "
Harmony Grove—W S Freeman ..... Rocky Pass, "
Hall Town—Jonathan Hall ..... Marion, "
Macedonia—Jos Arrowood ..... Nealsville, "
Marion—Henry Huthstines ..... Marion, "
Mt Creek—M B Flack ..... Cuba, "
Mt Vernon—N J Rollins ..... Rutherfordton, "
Old Fort—G M Keeter ..... Old Fort, "
Round Hill—C J Flack ..... Cuba, "
Zion Hill—F Ledford ..... Marion, "
Turkey Cove—R P Hollifield ..... Armstrong, "
Walnut Grove—J H Brown ..... Ashford, "
Eureka—A S Whitesides ..... Uree, "
Cane Creek—Joseph Laughter ..... Dimsdale, "
Sunny Vale—J P Padgett ..... Garden City, "

J L BARNES,
A SILVER,
J H GIBBS,
J S BRADLEY. } Committee.

Report on state of religion was read by Jno. M. Walker, as follows:

We learn from the letters of the different churches that they have been greatly revived during the past year, for which we would adopt as the expression of our thanksgiving to God, Psalms 103:1.

There has been a very large ingathering during the revival season. There were 277 additions to our churches by baptism. One hundred more than were reported last year.

J M WALKER,
N C JONES,
M L SORRELS.
J C EDGERTON,
Committee.

On motion this report was adopted.

The following resolution was read by C. B. Justice and was adopted:

Resolved, That any member of this Association attending other Associations act as correspondents.

A collection to supplement the Minute fund was taken as follows:

Rutherfordton	$1 00	Cherry Spring	$ 08
Bridgewater	50	Mt. Creek	65
Columbus	25	Hall Town	05
Bill's Creek	05	Mt. Vernon	45
Dysartsville	05	Eureka	08
Walnut Grove	25	Cane Creek	10
Marion	35	Pleasant Hill	25
Round Hill	10		
		Total	$4 21

At the request of the Clerk, T. B. Justice and A. L. Grayson were appointed to examine and correct the records of the Association.

T. B. Justice read a resolution of thanks, as follows:

Resolved, That all members of this body, and all visitors are indebted, beyond our power to express it, to the Monford's Cove church and people of this vicinity for the unbounded hospitality extended to us all.

On motion of Elder C. B. Justice the Association adjourned.

Benediction by J. C. Sorrels.

A. P. SORRELS, Clerk. WM. M. BLANTON, Moderator.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

At 11, a. m., T. B. Justice preached in the house from Mark 16:3. "And they said among themselves, 'Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?' "

At the same hour W. M. Whiteside preached in the grove from Matthew 6:22. "The light of the body is the eye; if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light."

At the close of these services a collection was taken for State missions amounting to $8.34.

Thus closed the fifty-seventh annual session of the Green River Association.

The body was harmonious in all of its business.

The speaking was entertaining and edifying.

CLERK.

Pledges for State and Foreign missions by the delegates were promised as given below:

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Bethel	$25 00	Montford's Cove	5 00
Bethlehem	5 00	Mountain Creek	30 00
Big Level	3 00	Old Fort	5 00
Bill's Creek	5 00	Pleasant Grove	2 00
Bridgewater	10 00	Pleasant Hill	10 00
Camp Creek	2 00	Round Hill	10 00
M A Harvey	1 00	Rock Spring	2 00
Clear Creek	3 00	Rutherfordton	100 00
Cooper's Gap	2 00	Silver Creek	2 00
Columbus	5 00	Stone Mountain	1 00
Dysartsville	3 00	Turkey Cove	2 00
Green River	2 00	Walnut Grove	2 00
Hall Town	2 00	Whiteside Valley	3 00
Macedonia	1 00		
Marion	15 00	Total	$263 00
Mills Spring	5 00		

STATE MISSIONS.

Unfortunately these pledges are misplaced.

The whole amount is about $350.00.

We hope the churches will not fail in this work.

CLERK.

ECHOES FROM THE CHURCHES,

Given in Their Letters to the Association.

Bethel—We have had a gracious revival, lasting twelve days.

Beulah—We have had preaching only five months this year. Have had a series of meetings lasting eight days.

Bridgewater—Has been without preaching part of the time. Therefore have not done as much for the various objects of the convention as we wished.

Cane Creek—We organized into a church November 6th, 1896, and have nearly completed a house of worship. Twenty-four were added to the church in August as a result of a two week's meeting. They ask for the next session of the Association, and failed to get it.

Columbus—The church is in good working condition.

Dysartsville—We adhere strictly to temperance principles.

Eureka—We have adopted the articles of faith of the Green River Association; and make application for membership in your body.
They are received.

Green River—We are endeavoring to carry out the temperance resolution.

Green's Creek—We are trying to carry out the temberance resolution.

Macedonia—We desire your prayers that we may be faithful.

Marion—Woman's Missionary Society $11.00; Sunbeam Society $4.14.

Montford's Cove—Let the battle cry and determination of the church be, "The saloon must go."

Mt. Vernon—Pray for us. We are building a new house of worship.

Piney Knob—We have adopted Gospel Mission plan of Foreign Mission work.

Pleasant Grove—Has a grand revival.

Pleasant Hill—Is striving to carry out the temperance resolution. They ask for the next meeting of the Green River Association. This request was granted.
Our Woman's Missionary Society has contributed $4.12 for Missions.

Rock Spring—We are endeavoring to carry out the temperance resolution.

Round Hill—Our Woman's Missionary Society has contributed $4.50.

Rutherfordton—We are trying to carry out the temperance resolution as adopted by the Association at Bethel, in 1890.

Stone Mountain—We have had a good revival meeting, resulting in five additions to the church.

Sunny Vale—Has lost their house by fire, and ask for help to pay their pastor while building a new house to worship in.

CONSTITUTION.

This Association shall be known as the GREEN RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of Baptist churches whose articles of faith and constitutions are in harmony with those of the Association.

Each church shall be allowed a representation of two delegates, in addition to their regular ordained ministers, and every church of over fifty members shall be allowed one additional delegate for every fifty additional members.

The primary objects of the Association shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College, to educate young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among the people of the State; to support the Gospel in the destitute portions of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the Gospel to the nations that have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel; to encourage the organization and support of Baptist Sunday Schools, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in all its departments of labor.

This Association shall meet annually on Thursday before the first Sabbath in October.

The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Association, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

The Moderator shall preside, or fill the chair, by calling some member of the body thereto, and enforce order in accordance with Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

The Clerk shall record the proceedings, conduct the correspondence, and publish and distribute the Minutes.

The Treasurer shall receive all funds contributed by the churches or individuals to the objects of the Association, receipting the contributors for the same, and forward all contributions to their proper destination, and make a full report of all receipts and disbursements to the Association at its annual sessions, and on retiring from his office turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

There shall be appointed by the Association at each session a Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, consisting of one member from each church belonging to the Association and several other brethren living in Rutherfordton or its immediate vicinity, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, which, during the intervals between the meetings of the Association, shall have charge of the various interests and objects fostered by the Association, and shall encourage the churches to give liberally thereto; and shall make a full report of its work, including such suggestions relative thereto as it may think advisable, to the Association at its annual sessions.

The President, or in case of his death or disqualification, any three members of the Board may call a meeting thereof.

This constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives voting in the affirmative.

ASSOCIATION COVENANT.

Article 1. We believe in one only and true God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost—and these are one in substance, and equal in power and glory.

Art. 2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

Art. 3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Art. 4. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in, by his own free will and ability.

Art. 5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only through the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

Art. 6. We believe the saints shall persevere in grace, and that they never shall finally fall away.

Art. 7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects thereof.

Art. 8. We believe that immersion is the only spiritual mode of baptism.

Art. 9. We believe that no person has a right to administer the ordinances but such as are regularly called and qualified thereto.

Art. 10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment; that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting, and the joys of the righteous eternal.

Art. 11. We, the members of the Green River Baptist Association, agreeing to the above Articles of Faith, do, for and in behalf of the churches which we represent, covenant and agree, and give ourselves up to each other in church and Christian fellowship, in order to keep up the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace, and to assist each other in all matters of distress, and to pray for each other's prosperity.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Fix time of meeting and adjournment.
2. Call for messengers present without letters from their churches.
3. Call for application for membership in this body.
4. Appoint committees on Preaching and Finance.
5. Recognize, in their official capacity, any present who may represent general denominational interests.
6. Call for correspondents, renewing the call at the opening of each morning session.
7. Appoint committees on State of Religion, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Sabbath Schools, Temperance, Education, Orphanage, Deceased Ministers, Aged Ministers, Nominations State and Southern Conventions, Place and Introductory Sermon of next Session, Periodicals, etc., urging reports as soon as possible.
8. Miscellaneous business.
9. Ordered: That this Association, at this session, 1894, appoint a suitable man as Historian, whose business it shall be to collect such facts as he may be able to do, in reference to our church and associational history, and report the same annually, until the same shall have been completed.
10. Give an opportunity to present the claims of Foreign, Home, State Missions and Orphanage, with any other general interest supported by this body.
11. Fix time and place of next meeting, and appoint the introductory preacher and alternate, also minister to preach the missionary sermon.
12. Arrange general (or union) meetings.
13. Appoint correspondents to other bodies.
14. Call for reports of committees.
15. Elect delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions.
16. Elect Executive Board, provided for in Constitution.
17. Arrange for printing, distributing Minutes, and paying Clerk.
18. Adjourn.

Statistical Table.

CHURCHES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Bethel	10	1	1	5	3	4	94	148	242
Bethlehem	5	2	2	4	1	2	46	69	115
Beulah	3	2		2			16	20	36
Big Level	3			12	5	2	33	68	101
Bill's Creek	13	3		2		2	34	107	141
Bridgewater				3			13	16	29
Camp Creek	4				1	1	28	68	96
Cane Creek	17	38				2	30	69	99
Catawba									
Cherry Spring	4					1	23	31	54
Chimney Rock									
Clear Creek	7	2	1				6	10	16
Columbus	6	1		1		2	48	67	115
Cooper's Gap			5	76	4	1	59	87	146
Dysartsville	21	1	1	1	2		60	112	172
Eureka		1					5	7	12
Green River	12	10		10			56	94	150
Green's Creek	13	4		1	1	1	45	87	132
Hall Town		2							41
Harmony Grove	20	10	1	3		1	52	74	126
Henry Station									
Macedonia		2	1		1	1	28	34	60
Marion	2	7		6	1	2	31	54	85
Mills Spring	17	7		7		2	55	79	134
Montford's Cove	24	3		3	8	1	88	144	232
Mountain Creek	5	3	3	10		1	123	174	297
Mount Vernon		1	3	8	2	1	111	179	290
Old Fort	4	3				1	13	29	42
Piney Knob	16	7	1	10			39	54	93
Pleasant Grove	20	17	1	6	3	1	53	83	136
Pleasant Hill	8	12	2	3	4	2	65	84	149
Rock Spring		2	1				15	37	62
Round Hill	13			11	2	1	82	142	224
Rutherfordton	20	5	1	5		2	75	98	173
Silver Creek	6	3	2	3	1		72	88	160
Stone Mountain	5	8	2	8	2		39	70	109
Sunny Vale	7	7					8	13	21
Turkey Cove	2	7	11	6	27		8	33	41
Walnut Grove							2	11	13
Whiteside Valley	1			3		2	16	33	49
Zion Hill									
Total	288	181	39	209	68	36	1566	2573	4139

Sunday School Statistics.

SCHOOLS.	Officers And Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Papers Taken.	School Expenses.
Bethel	8	38	37	37	$ 1 50
Bethlehem	7	84		64	3 52
Beulah	5	43			
Big Level	4	37		60	
Bill's Creek	6	60		36	2 50
Bridgewater	7	41	31	40	6 40
Cane Creek	8	91		100	8 30
Cherry Springs	6	56		126	3 31
Clear Creek	8	72		36	4 00
Columbus	6	50	51	50	8 00
Cooper's Gap	5	35			
Dysartsville	7	63		120	8 03
Eureka	2	16		10	
Green River	8	60		80	7 60
Green's Creek	7	80		120	7 05
Harmony Grove	6	75		162	5 05
Marion	8	85		100	12 00
Mills Spring	5	26	30	30	2 75
Montford's Cove	5	101		200	5 50
Mt. Vernon	15	120		20	2 00
Old Fort	7	60		107	55 00
Piney Knob	6	34		27	1 77
Pleasant Grove	7	60		45	1 79
Pleasant Hill	6	30		13	60
Round Hill	3	40		36	4 00
Rutherfordton	6	100		100	25 00
Silver Creek	5	71			
Stone Mountain	6	36		20	60
Sunny Vale		60			9 00
Turkey Cove	4	20		26	
Walnut Grove	5	30		15	1 80
Whiteside Valley	3	32	7	36	3 00
Total	101	1806	156	1816	$180 07

Treasurer's Report.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions	Home Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Relief.	Other Objects.	Total.
Bethel	$ 16 80	$ 25 97	$ 1 57	$ 6 00			$ 50 34
Bethlehem	3 68	6 27		4 50			14 45
Beulah	1 00						1 00
Big Level	4 28	3 00	2 00	2 00			11 28
Bill's Creek	3 00		2 05				5 05
Bridgewater	4 34	8 05	3 60	5 00	$3 00		23 99
Camp Creek	2 00		2 00				4 00
Cane Creek							
Catawba	50	1 00					1 50
Cherry Springs	1 97						1 97
Chimney Rock							
Clear Creek		2 22					2 22
Columbus	4 00	9 34				$ 2 83	16 17
Cooper's Gap	55	1 00	62				2 17
Dysartsville	2 50	5 95		2 81			11 26
Eureka	5 00	10 00	2 20				17 20
Green River	1 85		81	1 65			4 31
Green's Creek	90						90
Hall Town	1 10						1 10
Harmony Grove	1 35			72			2 07
Henry Station							
Macedonia		1 00					1 00
Marion	17 25	30 00	3 60				50 85
Mills Spring	1 00	3 85					4 85
Montford's Cove	6 28		2 00				8 28
Mountain Creek	15 72	38 74	60	7 89			62 95
Mt. Vernon	5 00	3 70	3 70				12 40
Old Fort	4 88	5 0		2 34			12 22
Piney Knob	2 39			4 60			6 99
Pleasant Grove	2 21						2 21
Pleasant Hill	4 36	9 20	3 49	1 05		50	18 60
Rock Spring	2 80	3 03					5 83
Round Hill	18 50	9 98		6 00			34 48
Rutherfordton	90 00	100 00	57 21	22 22	5 00	12 60	287 03
Silver Creek	2 00	3 00	1 03	1 38			7 38
Stone Mountain	2 00	39	1 00				3 39
Sunny Vale							
Turkey Cove	1 20						1 20
Walnut Grove		2 00					2 00
Whiteside Valley		2 81				31	3 12
Zion Hill							
Other Sources	36 52	25 00		12 36		1 50	75 38
Total	$266 93	$310 59	$87 45	$80 52	$8 00	$ 17 74	$ 771 14

This report includes collections during the session of the Association; for State Missions $19.71; for Foreign Missions $20.00; for Orphanage $12.36.

At Sunday School Association, August 30; for State Missions

$5.00; for Walnut Grove church $2.05; from Advance church for Foreign Missions $5.00; from individuals for Gospel Missions $2.00.

The Woman's Mission Societies contributed as follows for Missions: Bethel church $14.36; Marion $11 14; Pleasant Hill $4.12; Round Hill $2.20; Rutherfordton $51.94, and a box $39.95; total $91.89. Rutherfordton Sunbeams $10.34; Marion Sunbeams $4.00.

The amount from Catawba church was paid by Rev. M. A. Harvey on pledge.

Respectfully submitted,
A. L. GRAYSON, Treasurer.

We have examined the report of A. L. Grayson, Treasurer of Green River Association, and find that he has paid out for the objects named therein, the sum of $771.14, as reported.

T. C. SMITH,
JAS. M. TOMS,
Auditing Committee.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Minute Fund.	Other Objects and Repairs.	Total.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Relief.	Other Objects.	Total.	Grand Total.
Bethel	$ 100 00	$ 11 50	$ 9 25	$ 1 45	$ 12 25	$ 134 45	$ 10 23	$ 1 57	$ 25 00	$ 6 00			$ 42 80	$ 175 25
Bethlehem	50 00	3 00		1 35		54 35	5 48	6 27	6 27	4 50		$ 2 47	18 62	72 97
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Big Level	40 00	12 00	3 00	1 00		56 00	3 00	2 00	3 00	2 00		2 00	12 00	68 00
Bill's Creek	33 00	2 60	2 50	90		39 00	3 00	2 00					5 00	44 00
Bridgewater	100 00			1 00		101 00	10 00	5 00	5 05	5 00	$ 3 00		28 05	129 05
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Cherry Springs	11 65					11 65	1 95						1 95	13 60
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Pastors, Clerks and Sabbaths of Preaching. Superintendents of Sunday Schools and Post Office.

CHURCHES.	Sabbaths of Preaching	PASTORS.	POST OFFICE.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICE.	SUPT'S.	POST OFFICE.
Bethel	2	J C Sorrels	Nealsville, N. C.	E G Goforth	Nealsville N. C.	A B Mashburn	Nealsville N. C.
Bethlehem	1	W M Whiteside	Rutherfordton, "	A W Gilliam	Old Fort "	W M Silver	Old Fort "
Beulah	1	Elbert Jackson	Turner's "	A L Pitman	Landrum S. C.	R P Pitman	Mills Spring "
Big Level	4	A T Jones	Swains S. C.	T M Ruppe	Brights N. C.	Jerry Jackson	Poplar Grove "
Bill's Creek	1	H D Harrill	Forest City N. C.	J C Frady	Uree "	W H Logan	Ayr "
Bridgewater	2	B K Mason	Marion "	J C Price	Shelby "	C D Hemphill	Bridgewater "
Camp Creek	2	B B Harris	Dysartsville "	I O Clements	Trio "		"
Cane Creek	3	R M Gilbert	Grassy Knob "	W F T Brown	Dimsdale "	J G Laughter	Dimsdale "
*Catawba	1						"
Cherry Springs	4	W M Whiteside	Rutherfordton "	G L Fortune	Black Mount'n "	W L Moffitt	Old Fort "
*Chimney Rock	2						"
Clear Creek	1	J C Sorrels	Nealsville "	A Silver	Old Fort "	S C Turner	Garden City "
Columbus	2	T B Justice	Rutherfordton "	N B Hampton	Columbus "	J R Arledge	Columbus "
Cooper's Gap	2	A T Jones	Swains S. C.	A L McMurry	Dimsdale "	H K Corn	Dimsdale "
Dysartsville	3	W M Whiteside	Rutherfordton N. C.	J R Denton	Dysartsville "	J D Taylor	Dysartsville "
Eureka	2	Z T Whiteside	Uree "	A S Whiteside	Ayr "	Z T Whiteside	Uree "
Green River	2	H D Harrill	Forest City "	Wm. Hines	Clover "	T P Covington	Poor's Ford "
Green's Creek	3	T J Moss	Forest City "	Isaiah Raburn	Clover "	Wm Barnett	Clover "
Hall Town	2	P J Shell	Altamont "	John Henley	Marion "		"
Harmony Grove	1	B B Harris	Dysartsville "	G M Walton	Rocky Pass "	G M Walton	Rocky Pass "
*Henry Station							"
Macedonia	4	B B Harris	Dysartsville "	B E Watkins	Nealsville "		"
Marion	1&3	B K Mason	Marion "	B B Price	Marion "	B B Price	Marion "
Mills Spring	3	C B Justice	Rutherfordton "	Butler Jackson	Mills Spring "	O T Baynard	Mills Spring "
Montford's Cove	2	T J Moss	Forest City "	J W Morgan	Otter Creek "	J W Morgan	Otter Creek "
Mountain Creek	3	C B Justice	Rutherfordton "	H Portrum	Rutherfordton "		"
Mt. Vernon	2	G M Webb	Shelby "	M L Wilson	Logan's Store "	N J Rollins	Myrtle "
Old Fort	4	B K Mason	Marion "	W M Mashburn	Old Fort "	P C Harmon	Old Fort "
Piney Knob	2	Z D Harrill	Ellenboro "	J B Elliott	Cuba "	W L Bland	Cuba "
Pleasant Grove	4	T J Moss	Forest City "	D H Houser	Green Hill "	G B Milton	Green Hill "
Pleasant Hill	2&4	W M Whiteside	Rutherfordton "	D T Mauney	Mack "	J L Owen	Rutherfordton "
Rock Spring	3	A T Jones	Swains S. C.	M H Whiteside	Uree "	L L Deck	Thermal City "
Round Hill	1	C B Justice	Rutherfordton N. C.	A P Sorrels	Gilkey "	T C Smith	Rutherfordton "
Rutherfordton	2&4	C B Justice	Rutherfordton "	T C Smith	Rutherfordton "	J A McCraw	Mills Spring "
Silver Creek	1	W H Jones	Blue Ridge "	G H Arledge	Mills Spring "	J I Nanney	Stone Mount'n "
Stone Mountain	2	Elbert Jackson	Turners "	C M Nanney	Stone Mount'n "	I J Ratlief	"
Sunny Vale		I J Ratlief		J P Padgett	Garden City "	I J Hollifield	Armstrong "
Turkey Cove	4	J C Sorrels	Nealsville "	I J Hollifield	Armstrong "	J H Brown	Ashford "
Walnut Grove	3	J C Sorrels	Nealsville "	J H Brown	Ashford "	S J Collins	Grassy Knob "
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PROCEEDINGS.

PLEASANT HILL BAPTIST CHURCH,

Rutherford County, N. C., September 29, 1898.

The fifty-eighth annual session of the Green River Baptist Association convened at 11AM today.

Hymn: "Amazing Grace," etc.

The principal and alternate, both being absent, after reading Romans 13 and prayer by Rev. M. M. Landrum, Rev. J. E. White preached the introductory sermon from 2 Timothy, 2:3.

Benediction by Rev. M. M. Landrum.

Afternoon Session.

Hymn: "All Hail the Power," etc.

The former Moderator being absent, Rev. M. M. Landrum was called to the chair. Prayer by O. L. Stringfield.

The chair appointed M. H. Justice and W. H. Taylor to collect and read letters, and the following messengers were enrolled (Ministers in SM. CAPS.):

BETHEL—W I Robison, C B Morris, A B MASHBURN, J C SORRELS.

BETHLEHEM—J M Gibson.

BEULAH—W G Splawn, Jno. Culbreth.

BIG LEVEL—Roland Ruppe, N T Mills.

BILL'S CREEK— E D Early.

BRIDGEWATER—J C Price.

CAMP CREEK—J L Barnes, T G Johnson, J W Guffy.

CANE CREEK—J M Gibbs, B E Haynes.

CLEAR CREEK—Earvin Patton, N Buchanan.

COLUMBUS—John P. Arledge, J R Justice.

COOPER'S GAP—H K Corn, L C Gibbs.

DYSARTVILLE—L G Price, D Whitener, W H Taylor, W N Laughridge.

EUREKA—G W Whiteside, Z T WHITESIDE.

GREEN RIVER—Robert Clements, T P Covington, J. H. Blanton.

GREEN'S CREEK—Jno E Smith, G T Feagan, J E Morgan.

HALL TOWN—J B Lewis.

HARMONY GROVE—W T Brown.

MACEDONIA—J A Bird, Jake Gilliam,

MARION—Henry Huthstiner, M M LANDRUM.

MILLS SPRING—J A Rucker.

MONTFORD'S COVE—W Y Hemphill, Carl Wilkerson.

MT. CREEK—J D Whiteside, A E Flack, U E Keeter, A P Rucker.

MOUNT VERNON—Z B V Freeman, N J Bland, A E Wilson, W N S Rollins.

Old Fort—G M Keeter, W E Owen, M A Harvey.

Piney Knob—W L Bland, W E Spangler.

Pleasant Grove—N C Lovelace, W N Spangler, J A Lattimore, W L Haynes.

Pleasant Hill—C C Lovelace, Jno. L. Hodge, Edgar McDade.

Rock Springs—M H Whiteside, W H Ledbetter.

Round Hill—L L Deck, A P Sorrels, Wm M Nanney, A H Nanney.

Rutherfordton—C B Justice, T B Justice, H D Harrell, W M Whitesides, A L Grayson, Jno H Callahan, G W Hodge, M H Justice.

Sunny Vale—By letter.

Stone Mountain—Z V Hudgins, J I Moffit.

Turkey Cove—By letter.

Walnut Grove—By letter.

Zion Hill—By letter.

Rules suspended and the following officers elected by acclamation: M M Landrum, Moderator; A P Sorrels, Clerk; A L Grayson, Treasurer.

Fixed order of exercises as follows: Meet at 9:30AM; spend half hour in devotional services. Adjourn at 12M. Meet at 1PM. Adjourn at pleasure.

Invitations for churches wishing to join this body. The following applied:

Mountain View and Chapel Hill.

These were refered to a committee consisting of C. B Justice, J. C. Sorrels and L. L. Deck.

Welcomed: Rev. J. E. White, Corresponding Secretary of State Convention; Rev. O. L. Stringfield of Female University; J. C. Cadell, of the Home Mission Board and Biblical Recorder; J. W. Cobb of the North Carolina Baptist.

Appointed pastor and deacons of Pleasant Hill church on religious exercises and announced the following committees.

Finance—A L Grayson, H Huthstiner, W H Taylor, C C Lovelace and Charley Morris.

State Missions—J E White, W M Whiteside, J L Barnes, U E Keeter.

Home Missions—J C Cadell, H. D. Harrill, J A Rucker, J R Justice.

Foreign Missions—T B Justice, J. C. Sorrels, H K Corn, J I Moffit.

At this hour J. C. Cadell addressed the body on periodicals, followed by J. W. Cobb and A. Johnson.

Set 10AM tomorrow for the discussion of Missions followed by remarks on State Missions. Then adjourned.

Benediction by J. W. Cobb.

Second Day--Morning Session.

September 30, 1898.

Met at 9:30AM. Sang; "Sweet by and by." Religious services conducted by M. A. Harvey. Read Psalm 19.

At 10 o'clock the Moderator called the Association to order.

Read, corrected and approved minutes of yesterday.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

State of Religion—H D Harrill, chairman; P C Harmon, A H Nanney, I P Covington, H. K. Corn.

Sabbath Schools—W M Whiteside, A E Flack, J A Rucker, H A Harrill, W. L. Bland

Temperance—J M Walker, chairman; J C Price, M A Harvey, J R Justice, B F Corpening.

Education—O L Stringfield, N Buchanan, W H Taylor, W L Haynes, J D Whitesides.

Orphanage—A Johnson, W F Owen, L L Deck, N C Lovelace, W W Hemphill.

Deceased Ministers—Wm Justice, J D Hemphill, G T Feagan, W T Beam, G M Keeter.

Aged Minister's Relief—J C Sorrels, G W Hodge, J W Grayson, W L. Parker, W D Splawn.

Nominations to State Baptist Convention—Z B V Freeman, W M Young, W O Watkins, W N Splawn, N J Bland.

Place and Introductory—N Buchanan, W E Wilson, J E Morgan, John H Callahan, L G Price.

Nomination Board of Missions and Sunday Schools—L L Deck, L M Stott, John E Smith, J A Lattimer, John P Arledge

Nominate Member Board of State Missions—J C Price, J W Guffey, J H Blanton, B P Jackson, G W Whiteside.

Call for churches not represented yesterday:

Whiteside Valley—S J Collins, J R Whiteside.

The Moderator gave the right hand of fellowship to the messengers from these churches.

Welcomed—Brother Chas E Taylor, of Wake Forest College.

Discussion of Missions by C B Justice, and O. L. Stringfield.

Read and adopted report of committee on newly constituted churches.

Report on State Missions read by W. M. Whiteside, and C. B. Justice read report of board of missions, Then the body was addressed by J. E. White, after which a cash collection was taken, amounting to $12.75 for State Missions, and pledges taken from messengers for the churches. Then adjourned 1 hour.

Afternoon Session.

Hymn;—"While the days are going by," etc. Received Rufus Constance from Silver Creek without a letter, Welcomed S, A. Bridges and T. J. Moss from Sandy Run Association.

Remarks by J. C. Price on Christian giving. Then distributed a number of printed sermons by R. L. Patton on this subject to all the delegates for their churches at his own expense.

Report on Home Missions read by J. E. White—discussed by J, C. Caddell, H. D. Harrill, J. C. Sorrels, T. B. Justice, J. C. Price, and O. L. Stringfield. Pledges from the churches taken and report adopted,

Report on board of missions and Sunday Schools read and adopted. Treasurers report read and adopted.

Finance report read and adopted,

Committee on time, place and introductory sermon report and is adopted.

Committee on nominations toState and Southern BaptistConventions make their report which is adopted.

Moved that any member of this body being present at any other Association may be recognized as a correspondent.

Agreed that 10AM to-morrow be made special hour for claims of the orphanage, and 11AM. Foreign Missions; 1PM. Education. Adjourned after benediction by T. B. Justice.

Third Day- -Morning Session.

October 1, 1898.

Association met at 10AM, Sang Hymn, "Harvesters go forth." etc. The Moderator read 1. Cor. 13. Prayer by S. A. Bridges. Called to order by Moderator; Minutes of yesterday read and approved. Report on deceased ministers read and approved.

A. Johnson offered report on Orphanage, and addressed the body on its claims. At the close of his speech collected in cash $22.00; and after taking pledges from the churches the report was adopted.

By motion gave this hour, which was set for Foreign Missions to the discussion of the report on Education as read by O. L. Stringfield. Remarks by Dr C. E. Taylor, O. L. Stringfield and C. B. Justice.

By motion deferred the further consideration of this subject until after the report of Foreign Missions is disposed of, which is set for the first matter after recess of one hour. Benediction by A. P. Hollifield.

Afternoon Session.

Hymn:—"Redeemer Savior friend of man," etc. Report on Foreign Missions read and discussed by T. B. Justice, followed by O. L. Stringfield; pledges taken by C. B. Justice.

Resumed the consideration of the subject of education, When M. H. Justice and O. L. Stringfield addressed the body on ministerial education. Cash collection for this work was taken amounting to $5.71, after which pledges were given by the delegates.

W. M. Whiteside read and discussed report on Sabbath schools. Then this subject was deferred till 10 am. to-morrow.

H. D. Harrill offered report on state of religion—adopted.

Committee's report on aged ministers relief was read and endorsed.

Report on members of State Board of Missions was read, amended, and adopted.

Report on temperance offered and spoken to by H. D. Harrill, H. K. Corn, A. B, Mashburn and J. C. Price.

By motion adopted the report.

A. L. Rucker, the historian of the body reported the reception of the history of three churches.

Resolution of thanks offered by A. B. Mashburn, was heartily endorsed.

The following auditing committee was appointed by the Moderator: T. C. Smith, J. H. Callahan and G. W. Hodge.

The following report on Religious Exercises was made for tomorrow, viz: T. B. Justice Missionary Sermon at the stand and M. M. Landrum in the house at 10 a m, O. L. Stringfield preach at 1 p. m.

By motion the Association adjourned. Prayer by J. C. Sorrels.

Sunday.-Fourth Day.

October 2, 1898.

Met at 10 a m. Called to order by the Moderator. Appointed A. L. Grayson, T. B. Justice and W. M. Whiteside to audit the minutes of yesterday.

W. L. Haynes, J. W. Smith, and W. M. Whiteside spoke to the report on Sabbath Schools.

At 11 o'clock C. B. Justice preached in the house and T. B. Justice at the stand. Collection for State Missions $3.57.

O. L. Stringfield preached at the stand at 1 p m. Collection to pay for publishing the Sunday School program, $3.00.

A. P. Hollifield preached at the stand Saturday at 1 p m.

The weather each day except Sunday, when we had flying clouds and light showers, was a little warm and dry.

Congregation good at the beginning and grew larger each day.

The speeches all seemed to be sent from the Heavenly Father, conducted by the Holy Ghost, and delivered by the Lord's best servants, to a very large congeegation of attentive hearers.

May the Lord bless and the Holy Spirit guide all of us till we meet at Mount Vernon one year hence. M. M. LANDRUM, Moderator.
A. P. SORRELS, Clerk.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

STATE MISSION.

The history of State Missions is virtually the history of the rise and progress of North Carolina Baptists reaching from the year 1720 to the presut time.

It is a work so clearly in accordance with divine commandment, with the spirit of Jesus and with the nobler impulses of the Christian heart and life, that it needs no argument to commend it to the sympathies of the Association.

Since the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools was organized our State Missionaries have preached the Gospel on over 4,000 destitute fields, and have organized at mission points more than one-third of the whole number of Baptist churches we now have in North Carolina.

And along with this God blessed work of construction and evangelization every department of our denominational life has been stimulated —Education, the Orphanage, Home Missions and Foreign Missions—have felt and continue to feel the effect of State Missions on them in endowments, patronage, support and sympathy and enlarged beneficence at the hands of our people.

Your committee is glad to report that the Baptists of North Carolina have a larger force of missionaries in the field this year than ever before

in our history. One hundred and three regular missionaries are at work preaching the gospel to three hundred and fifty-eight destitute points. The cause is being pressed by these faithful workers in fifty-six counties in North Carolina.

The reports from their fields as they have come indicate encouragement and even enthusiasm. God is blessing the word in their hands. We may depend upon it, His grace will be poured out upon their labors. Ours is the duty of prayer and sympathy. It is the battle of our Christ which they are waging, the battle of our cause and priceless principles. We should feel honored of our God that we are co-laborers with him in the great work of bringing North Carolina to own and honor our Master. The burden, if it is reckoned a burden, the responsibility, is on us to support this work and these workers.

We have planned and arranged the work this year on a $15,000 basis. All the year the missionaries have been at work hopefully relying upon our faithfulness in paying the small amounts promised.

As yet only a small proportion of the amount needed has been raised —the day now is on us when each must do something.

We recommend to every pastor that he urge his churches to make an offering for State Missions by December 1st.

J. E. WHITE,
W. M. WHITESIDE,
J. L. BARNES,
U. E. KEETER, } Committee.

HOME MISSION.

Southern Baptists are engaged in Home Mission work on five great fields. In work in our mountain sections, comprising the States of Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky. Among the Indians, Negroes, foreign population and in the islands of Cuba. The direction of this work is committed to our Home Mission Board situated in Atlanta, Georgia, of which Dr. I. T. Tichenor is the able and wise corresponding secretary. Last year we had in the field 467 missionaries. These missionaries baptized 4,739 believers into the fellowship of mission churches.

God seems to be opening even greater doors of opportunity before this work every year. The late war with Spain has taken down the barriers in Cuba and Porto Rico. These unhappy islands have been freed in God's Providence from the tyranny of Spain.

Although Peace has been proclaimed at Washington between Spain and the United, the war has not yet ended. It has just begun. Cuba and Porto Rico must be freed from the thralldom of error and superstition. The Catholic church is entrenched just as the Spanish men at Santiago. Christ's army must storm the breastworks, not with carnal weapons, but the mignt weapon, the Gospel of Christ.

We must have 100 new missioneries at once. Southern Baptists have the opportunity which no other denomination claim. God is calling us to enter. Let our churches hear—and not only hear but heed the call. Your committee reccommends that each church in this Association undertake to do something for this great work during the coming year.

J. C. CADDELL,
H. D. HARRILL,
J. A. RUCKER,
J. R. JUSTICE, } Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The great body of Southern Baptists have undertaken a great work. The work of telling to utmost parts of the earth the good news of salvation, the gospel of God—the gospel grace, the gospel Jesus Christ.

With the blessed assurance of our Master that "I am with you always, even unto the end of the world," the Southern Baptist Conven-

tion, composed of representatives from all the Southern States, carefully considered the work and the means and methods for doing it. A half century ago a Foreign Mission Board was elected whose duty it was and is, to keep fully alive to the needs and means that the work presents.

Under the management of the Convention, made up of our representatives, this board which is elected annually has, so directed the work as to gain great ground, and remove much stubborn opposition. There has appeared no good reason to interfere with this method—their annual reports having been submitted and scrutinized by the denomination from yoar to year. The report at the meeting of the Convention in May of this year, showed that at that time the Board was out of debt. It also showed that for a year, to May 1st, 1898, the receipt amounted to $124,249.69. For the same year 701 converts were baptized as results of the work and God's Blessing of it.

There are eighty missionaries under appointment by the Board, and many natives have joined in the work of preaching Christ to their own people. The gospel is being preached by these missionaries in Africa, Italy, Brazil, Mexico, Japan. and forty of them are in China. The women's Societies have given great aid to the work, $21,633.51 of the amount above mentioned having been raised by them. We have men in North Carolina ready to leave home and obey the command, "Go ye into all the world." But, "How shall they go except they are sent," and how shall they remain unless they are supported.

Only a small per cent of our Southern Baptists can go as missionaries, but ninety-nine per cent.can give something to support those who do go. "What a man does by another he does himself." "If ye then being evil know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more will your Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?" If those who have been bought with the price of Jesus blood would ask and get the fullness of the Spirit in their hearts, there would be lives and living consecrated to God and heathen nations would rise up rejoicing in salvation, while Christians who complain of shriveled souls and iceberg experiences, would delight in their own fatness, and grow broad enough to take in all the world and embrace all humanity.

"For his sake, always brings its reward, and with it strength for greater deeds and nobler achievements." We recommend a season of special prayer in every church, that the Holy Spirit will guide the people to their duty, to remember the Master and the lost ones, in the matter of missions. T. B. JUSTICE, Chairman.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage has just closed a year of great prosperity. A gracious providence has cared for the health of the officers and children. Though a severe epidemic of measles has prevailed, only one child died from the disease. One has died from heart disease and ane from dropsy.

Since the last session of this body many valuable improvements have been made. The Central or School Building has been completed, at a cost of more than $5,000. During the past year this been occupied and found admirably suited to the purpose for which it was erected. By means of this building the superintendent has been enabled to grade the school properly, and thus to have the children more thoroughly taught, And,too,the congregating of the chilldren into this building for instruction, has opened for sleeping rooms the room heretofore used for school rooms. The Trustees have thus found themselves in a position to admit a larger number of orphans,than the original plan of buildings permitted.

A home for the general manager—certainly an urgent need—is in process of erection. He and his wife have heretofore been housed in the infirmary, an inconvenient arrangement, especially in case of epidemic disease raging. The Treasurer's report shows that the sum $500.00 has been contributed for this building, though $1,200.00 were subscribed at the last session of the Baptist State Convention.

A new printing press and general outfit for "Charity and Children" have been secured at a cost of several hundred dollars. A marked improvement in the general make up—the mechanical part—of the paper has been observed by all. It is carefully edited, and is in all respects admirably filling the sphere. The Treasurer's report shows that the recepts from subscriptions andadvertising have exceeded the expenses by$319.58.

The Orphanage owns a farm of over three hundred acres of fairly valuable land. The products of this farm for the last year are estimated to be worth$1,282.00. The total expenses of making the crop were $649.45, leaving a net profit of $732.55.

The total receipts in money and in kind for the past year reached the magnificent sum of $13,871.05—the largest of any year in the history of the orphanage. A part of this was used to pay off the debt on Central Building—a part, $1,000, was legacy from Dr. R. D. Fleming's estate—and $9,010.00 were used to clothe, feed and teach one hundred and sixty children—making the average cost per head $56.00. And your committee begs to assure this body that this sum wisely used has been found sufficient to maintain in a very comfortable style the orphan children under the care of this institution.

The Orphanage is supported solely by voluntary offerings of the Baptist people of North Carolina. Behind it are no legislative appropriations or Masonic or Odd Fellows Lodges.

We urge the churches to bear a part in this labor of love, not only for sake of the Orphanage, but for the development of the churches.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
W. T. OWENS,
L. L. DECK,
N. C. LOVELACE,
W. Y. HEMPHILL } Committee.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The Baptists of North Carolina are committed unreservedly to the cause of education. Believing as we do in individual liberty in all matters of conscience and religion, we naturally favor the best and broadest culture of the individual faculties. Inasmuch as the great majority of the children of the State are dependent upon the public schools for their education, we very earnestly favor the support of these schools by taxation. The appalling condition of illiteracy in our borders makes it doubly important that every honorable effort shall be tried to render our common school system more efficient.

The present policy of our State towards higher education we consider unnecessary, unwise, unjust, and reaffirm our unwavering belief in the wisdom and efficiency of the Voluntary Principle.

The Education of Women.—As the first school is the home and the mother the most important teacher, and as the influence of women is a potent force in advancing or retarding the progress of civilization and Christianity, it follows that her education is a matter of supreme importance.

We rejoice in the steady and encouraging progress of the movement for the Woman's college in Raleigh. The building is being pushed to rapid completion, and will, in the near future, be ready to open its doors to our women. But there is still much to be done. A great enterprise needs a great deal of money. Our Woman's College needs the support of every Baptist in the State, especially should the members of the Association accord a liberal support to this institution located in their borders.

The Oxford Seminary and Murfreesboro Institute, are both excellent institutions under Baptist control and should receive a liberal patronage.

Wake Forest College.—WakeForestCollege belongs to the Baptists of North Carolina. Founded and fostered in their prayers and sacrifices, it has ever sought to do their will and serve their interests.It is pre-eminently aChristian college. It strives to give thorough culture at moder-

ate cost in a distincsively christian atmosphere. The Bible has been made an essential part of the college course and is required of all applitants for degrees.

The last session of the college was in some respects the most successful in all its history. The enrollment, 253, surpassed all previous records; the health of the students was excellent, and their general spirit one of order, industry and decorum. The present session has opened well and the prospects for the future are good, but they can be realized only as the college has the support of the Baptists of the State. Will not every member of the Association recognize and emphasize his ownership in the college by giving in larger measure his prayers, his patronage and his sympathy?

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.—Wise leadership is essential to the largest success. Wise leaders must be trained. In our work as a denomination our preachers are our leaders. In this age as never before need training.

To aid worthy and indigent young ministers in getting this training the State Convention established the Board of Education. The value of the work of this board is attested by the lives and labors of its beneficiaries. In a careful and judicious way it dispenses the contributions of the churches to needy young men who have been approved by their churches. Its aid is given as a loan. Last session about thirty young men were aided. There are other worthy applicants but they cannot be helped unless the churches increase their contributions. What say you brethren? Will not the churches of the Association blessed with the prospect of a bountiful harvest promise to do more for training reapers for the Master's great harvest? Our opportunity is great and our duty urgent.

O. L. STRINGFIELD,
N. BUCHANAN,
W. H. TAYLOR,
W. L. HAYNES,
J. D. WHITESIDE,
} Committee.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday school is the church meeting for the purpose of teaching the Christian religion. The divine command is clear to teach as well as preach the gospel. History and experience go to show that the church which neglects the teaching work of christianity is the looser by reason of that fact. Hence we urge that every church within our bounds sustain a Sunday School.

It is with pleasure that we note the increased interest in the Sunday School work throughout the State. The State Convention at Greensboro in 1895 appointed a committee of fifteen members of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools to whom was committed the Sunday School work of the State. The object in view is to have a well equipped Baptist Sunday School for fifty-two Sundays in each year within the reach of every individual in the State.

Some interest has been awakened, some progress made. Our Sunday Schools are gradually increasing both in number of schools and efficiency. About 25 Sunday Schools Institutes have been held the present year.

Much remains to be done. The work is in its first stages of a new development. Statistics are not always reliable, and this is especialy true of Sunday Schools in North Carolina. As near as we can find it there are three-fourths of our church members not in Sunday School. About 350,000 children between three and eighteen years of age are not in Sunday School, and near a million people in all who are not reached by the Sunday School work. Let every church strive to bring into the work its own membership and all within its influence, and then if possible organize Sunday Schools in near neighborhoods.

Let every church and every community have a Sunday School; keep it open every sunday in the year; bring everybody in reach and teach for God's glory. Then will the Sunday School be a power for good and a real force in evangelizing the world.

We are so glad to see the advancement that has been made in the Sunday School work in the bounds of our own Association. There is increased interest being manifested in all our churches.

During last year we held a number Sunday School Associations. At these meetings we raised $40.25 to help in building church houses. Now we have arrangements made for the next three meetings of our Sunday School Association. We earnestly request all our Sunday Schools to join us in this noble work.

W. M. WHITESIDE,
A. E. FLACK,
J. T. RUCKER,
H. A. HARRILL,
W. L. BLAND,
} Committee.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We thlnk the cause of temperance is advancing in the thoughts and lives of our people. But recommend that it be given more influence in our public meetings, especially in our Sunday School gatherings. We feel that if intemperance is ever driven from our land it must largely be done by individual effort on the part of each of us. It demands our greatest efforts because of the fearful results of the excessive use of spirituous liquors. We recommend that our churches show their members by teaching and discipline that they are not going to tolerate drinkers, sellers or producers of the instruments of hell, to damn the bodies, minds and souls of our people.

JNO. M. WALKER,
J. C. PRICE,
M. A. HARVEY,
J. R. JUSTICE,
B. F. COPENING,
} Committee.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

If we were to take the reports as given in the letters from the churches as an evidence by which we would fully decide as to the state of the churches religiously, we would decide that it was not as good as in some years in the past, for there have not been as many conversions or baptisms as in the past year, but as we have seed time as well as harvest, let us decide that this year has been a time of seed sowing out of which we may gather an abundant harvest in days to come. Therefore, let us be hopeful, believing that there is a glorious harvest in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

H. D. HARRILL,
T. P. COVINGTON,
A. H. NANNEY,
} Committee.

DECEASED MINISTERS.

Your committee on deceased ministers after some inquiry are thankful to report that the lives of all the ministers of the Green River Association have been precious in God's sight during the past year.

A. B. MASHBURN,
L. D. HEMPHILL,
G. T. FEAGAN,
W. F. BROWN,
G. M. KEETER,
} Committee.

STATE AND SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTIONS.

We your committee on nominations to State and Southern Baptist Conventions would recommend for State Convention, Revs. T. B. Justice, J. C. Sorrels and H. D. Harrill. For Southern Baptist Convention, Rev. C. B. Justice; Alternate A. P. Sorrels. Respectfully submitted

Z. B. V. FREEMAN,
WM. M. NANNEY,
W. N. SPANGLER,
N. J. BLAND,
} Committee.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMTTMEIE.

We find that thirty-five dollars ($35.35) and thirty-five cents have been sent for printing minutes. We recommend that the clerk have ten dollars for his services and that he have minutes printed with the balance of the fund after furnishing blank church letters.

A. L. GRAYSON, HENRY HUTHSTINER, Committee.

We the committee to nominate a member of the State Board of Missions recommend W. M. Whiteside for the position.

J. C. PRICE, J. W. GUFFEY
J. H. BLANTON, G. W. WHITESIDE, } Committee.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN,

TO THE GREEN RIVER ASSOCIATION:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Since your last annual meeting sketches of Bill's Creek, Dysartsville and Bethlehem churches have been received. Since 1889 six churches only have responded to the call of your body in furnising the historical data repeatedly requested. Respectfully,

October 1st, 1898. A L RUCKER, Historian.

TREASURER'S CONDENSED REPORT.

Received since the last meeting of this body: For State Missions, $82.99; Foreign Missions,$201.51; Home Missions,$52.66; Home Mission Box, $57.44; Ministerial Education, $1.65; Baptist Orphanage, $36.75; Baptist Orphanage Box, $7.00; Aged Ministers' Relief, $2.60. Total $442.60.

The amounts herewith reported, with request for auditing committee to pass on the above amounts, together with receipts during the session.

September 30, 1898. A. L. GRAYSON, Treasurer.

COMMITTEE ON NEWLY CONSTITUTED CHURCHES.

Your committee to whom was referred the applications of the newly constituted churches at Mountain View and Chapel Hill, having examined the articles of faith, etc, of said churches and finding them orthodox, recommend that they be received as constituted members of this body. Respectfully, C. B. JUSTICE, Chairman.
J. C. SORRELS,
L. L. DECK.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Through the goodness and mercy of God we come together again in our annual meeting to recount his wonderful dealing with us, to look over the field, noting the progress that has been made, and to devise ways and means for prosecuting the work for the coming year. At the beginning of the present year your Board met and recommended the appointment of Rev.J. C. Sorrels as missionary to that part of McDowell county north the Catawba river, to preach especially at Clear Creek, Turkey Cove, North Cove and Carter's Creek, with occasional appointments at Armstrong Creek and Pepper's Creek, at a salary of $300.00 and Brother J. M. Walker to Cherry Springs, supplementing Cedar Creek, and Macedonia at a salary of $75.00. Brother Sorrels has held, assisted by other brethren laboring as voluntary missionaries, nine protracted meetings in which there were 51 conversions. He has baptized 14 and 11 others are awaiting baptism; built one house of worship costing $500. There are on this field as now occupied by brother Sorrels, three organized churches, while there are thirty Baptists who have already given their names and will be constituted into a church in the near future. The outlook for this field is very hopeful. The best of results are to be hoped for, but still the demands on us are very imperative, calling for our most liberal contributions, sympathies and prayers.

After another year the Cedar Creek church will be self-sustaining.

Brother Sorrels has preached during the year 102 sermons,made 69 religious visits. This field formerly embraced a territory of about 1,000 square miles in which there were only two weak churches. Now there

are six churches all doing good work. At present the field is about 29x25 miles in extent with a population of about 2,000 people, most of whom are favorably disposed towards the Baptists

The people on the field have paid, or secured by subscriptions, to Bro Sorrels support,$44.

During the year brother Walker has preached at Cherry Springs and Macedonia churches and also at a station near the head of Cedar Creek. He reports three baptisms. The Cherry Spring church is now building a new house of worship. At the first meeting of the Board after the last session of your body brother H D Harrill was appointed to look after the collections for home missions and brother W M Whiteside those for State missions. As appears from the letters from the churches there has been contributed by them for Foreign Mission,$———; for Home Missions, $———; for State Missions, $———. For a more full report on the different departments of our mission work you are referred to reports of committees appointed on these subjects.

C. B. JUSTICE, Chairman.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTER'S RELIEF FUND.

We are so glad that the Lord moved upon the Baptist State Convention to appoint a Board located at Durham, N.C., whose especial duty it is to look after the aged Baptist ministers of the State, those who have spent all the days of their youth in the Masters cause, those who are now weighed down by the weight of years, those who are now physical wrecks because of their hard work, those who are now embarrassed by poverty, because they have not only given their time but their means also for the advancement of the Master's cause. We earnestly request that the pastors of our churches bring this matter before their people and that we contribute liberally to their support, because the Lord's poor we have always with us, and the Lord makes them cares of ours.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. SORRELS,
G. W. HODGE, J. W. GRAYSON, } Committee.
W. S. PARKER, W. D. SPLAWN,

Minutes of the

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Of the Green River Baptist Association for the Year 1898.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Green River Baptist Association met in its second annual Session at the stand at Pleasant Hill church, during the session of the Association, on Thursday September 29, 1898 at 2PM. Mrs. J. A. Grayson read the 100th Psalm, and Mrs. T. C. Bradley led in prayer.

The meeting was called to order by the President and Mrs. T. C. Bradley, was requested to act as secretary.

A letter was read from Miss Heck, to the Union on the importance of each Christian present realizing the obligations resting on her, to give the gospel to the world, was made by Mrs. Grayson.

Letters from the different societies were read, but as the reports were entirely statistical, the names of the delegates were not reported.

The following societies reported their years work as follows:

	Foreign Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Total
Bethel,	$ 7 35	$ 3 65	$ 2 00	$13 00
Dysartsville,	39	38	38	1 15
Marion,	8 95	2 56	6 30	17 81
Montford's Cove,	1 87	2 65	4 60	9 07
Pleasant Hill,	2 40	2 35	18 65	23 30
Round Hill,				5 00
Rutherfordton,	16 88	11 32	66 52	94 72
Rutherfordton Sunbeams,	3 94	3 81	3 65	11 40

Marion Sunbeams, for Orphanage, $1.77

Letters were read from missionaries by the following ladies:

Miss Belle Davis read one from Mrs. G. W. Green on the work in Southern China; Miss Annice Callahan read one from Miss Ida Hayes on her work in the Modeiro Institute, and also one from Miss Anna Wilson. The Meeting then adjourned until Saturday afternoon when there will be another meeting provided there are no services at the stand.

Saturday, October 1st.

There being preaching at the stand stand at the time appointed, the final meeting at the Woman's Missionary Union for 1898 was not held.

MRS. J. A. GRAYSAN, President.

MRS. T. C. BRADLEY, Secretary.

Statistical Table.

SOCIETIES.	PRESIDENTS.	POSTOFFICES.
Bethel,	Miss Mary Grayson,	Nealsville, N. C.
Dysartsville,	Mrs. M. J. Walker,	Dysartsville, "
Marion,	" J. L. Morgan,	Marion, "
Montford's Cove,	" A. Morgan,	Otter Creek, "
Old Fort,	" W. P. Terrell,	Old Fort, "
Pleasant Hill,	" M. J. Grizzle	Mack, "
Round Hill,	" Martha Sorrels,	Union Mills, "
Rutherfordton,	Miss M. D Smith,	Rutherfordton, "
Clear Creek,	Mrs. Annie Ray.	Garden City, "
SUNBEAMS.		
Marion,	Mrs. J. M. Dellinger,	Marion, "
Rutherfordton,	Miss Annie Justice,	Rutherfordton, "

The committee on board of Associational Missions submit the following

REPOHT,

We, the committee, report the following names as members of the Associational Board of Missions and Sunday Schools with C. B. Justice, of Rutherfordton, as chairman,

Bethel,	Z V Morris,	Nealsville, N. C.
Bethlehem,	A W Gilliam,	Old Fort, "
Beulah,	Joshua Pitman,	Mills Spring, "
Big Level,	Jerry Jackson,	Poplar Grove, "
Bill's Creek,	Jno F Logan,	Ayr, "
Bridgewate,r	W P Hemphill,	Bridgewater, "
Camp Creek,	J L Barnes,	Trio, "
Cane Creek,	Joseph Laughter,	Dimsdale, "
Chapel Hill,	B F Corpening,	Marion, "
Cherry Spring,	Wilson Moffit,	Old Fort, "
ChimneyRock,	W M Henderson,	Chimney Rock, "
Clear Creek,	Newton Buchanan,	Greenlee, "
Columbus,	N B Jackson,	Columbus, "
Coopers Gap,	H K Corn,	Dimsdale, "
Dysartville,	W H Taylor,	Dysartville, "
Eureka.	A S Whiteside,	Uree, "
Green River,	J H Blanton,	Poor's Ford, "
Green's Creek,	J E Smith,	Collinsville, "
Hall Town,	Jonathan Hall,	Marion, "
HarmonyGr've	W S Freeman,	Rocky Pass, "
Henry Station,		
Macedonia,	Joseph Arrowood,	Nealsville, "
Marion,	Henry Huthstiner,	Marion, "
Mills Spring,	J A Rucker,	Mill's Spring "
Montf'rd'sC've	L D Hemphill,	Otter Creek, "
Mountain Cr'k	M B Flack,	Cuba, "
Mount'in View	Elbert Jackson,	Turner, "
Mount Vernon,	N J Rollins,	Rutherfordton, "
Old Fort,	G M Keeter,	Old Fort, "
Piney Knob,	J F Bland,	Cuba, "
Pleasant Grove	N C Lovelace,	Green Hill, "
Pleasant Hill,	M D Hill,	Rutherfordton, "
Rock Spring,	H M Whiteside,	
Round Hill,	C. J. Flack.	Cuba, "
Ruth'rf'dt'n,	H D Harrill,	Forest City, "
	T B Justice, A L Grayson, T C Smith	Rutherfordt'n, "
	J H Callahan and W T Payseur,	
Silver Creek,	J A McCraw,	Mills Spring, "
Stone Mount'n	S B Grant,	Jeter, "
Sunny Vale,	J P. Padgett,	Garden City, "
Turkey Cove,	R P Hollifield,	Armstrong, "
Walnut Grove,	J H Brown,	Ashford, "
Wh'side Valley	S J Collins,	Grassy Knob, "
Zion Hill,	F Ledford,	Marion, "

L. L. DECK, J. H. LATTIMORE,
J. P. ARLEGE, J. E. SMITH, } Committee,

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE.

We your committee on Time and Place of next meeting recommend that the next meeting of the Green River Association be held with the church at Mount Vernon, Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1899, and that Elder W. M. Whiteside preach the introductory sermon and Elder J. C. Sorrels, alternate.

L. G. PRICE, N. BUCHANAN,
J. H. CALLAHAN, T. T. MILLS,
J. E. MORGAN, } Committee.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS BY A. B. MASHBURN.

Resolved that all members of this body and all visitors are indebted beyond our power to express it, to the Pleasant Hill church and the people of this vicinity for the unbounded hospitality extended to to us all,

PLEDGES EOR MISSIONS, ETC.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions	Foreign Mis'ns	Orphanage.	Education.
Bethel,	$ 10 00	$ 15 00	$ 15 00	$ 5 00	$ 2 00
Bethlehem,	5 00	1 00	5 00	4 00	
Beulah,					
Big Level,	3 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	
Bill's Creek,	1 00	2 00	2 00		
Bridgewater,	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	10 00
Camp Creek,	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00
Cane Creek,		1 00		1 00	1 00
Chapel Hill,	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	
Cherry Spring,	2 00	1 00	1 00		
ChimneyRock,					
Clear Creek,	5 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	
Columbus,	5 00	5 00	3 00	2 00	
Coopers Gap,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	
Dysartville,	5 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	
Eureka,	2 00		5 00	1 00	
Green River,	2 50	1 50	2 00	1 00	
Green's Creek,	1 00	1 00		2 00	
Hall Town,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	
HarmonyGr've			2 00	1 00	
Henry Station,					
Macedonia,	3 00	1 00			
Marion,	15 00	5 00	10 00	10 00	2 50
Mills Spring,	5 00	2 50	4 00	1 00	
Montf'rd'sC've	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 50	
Mountain Cr'k	30 00	25 00	30 00	10 00	5 00
Mount Vernon,	10 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	1 00
Mount'in View	1 00	1 00	1 00		
Old Fort,	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	
Piney Knob,	2 00	1 50	2 00	1 00	1 00
Pleasant Grove	2 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	
Pleasant Hill,	2 00	2 50	10 00	2 00	2 00
Rock Spring,	1 00	1 00			
Round Hill,	15 00	10 00	10 00	2 00	
Rutherfordton,	90 00	25 00	100 00	15 00	5 00
Silver Creek,					
Stone Mount'n	1 00	1 00		1 00	
Sunny Vale,					
Turkey Cove,	1 00		2 00		
Walnut Grove,	2 0o		4 00		
Wh'side Valley		1 00	2 00	1 00	
Zion Hill,			1 00		
	$256 50	$148 00	$263 00	$ 98 50	$30 50

ASSOCIATION COVENANT.

Article 1. We believe in one only and true God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost —and these are in one substance, and equal in power and glory.

Art. 2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

Art. 3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Art. 4. We believe in man's Impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in, by his own free will and abillty.

Art. 5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only through the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

Art. 6. we believe the saints shall presevere in grace, and that they never shall fiually fall away.

Art. 7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects thereof.

Art. 8. We believe that immersion is the only spiritual mode of baptism.

Art. 9. We believe that no person has a right to administer the ordinances but such as are regularly called and qualified thereto.

Art. 10. We beleive in the ressurrection of the dead, and a general judgment; that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting, and the joys of the righteous eternal.

Art. 11. We the members of the Green River Baptist Association, agreeing to the above Articles of Faith, do, for and in behalf of the churches which we represent, covenant and agree, and give ourselves up to each other in church and Christian fellowship, in order to keep up the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace, and to assist each other in all matters of distress, and to pray for each other's prosperity.

CONSTITUTION.

This Association shall be known as the GREEN RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of Baptist churches whose articles of faith and constitution are in harmony with those of the Association.

Each church shall be allowed a representation of two delegates in addition to their regular ordained ministers,and every church of over fifty members sholl be allowed one additional delegate for every fifty additional members.

The primary object of the Association shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College, to educate yonng men called of God to the mimstry and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among people of the State; to support the gospel in the destitute portions of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the gospel to the nations that have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of houses of worship; to ecourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel; to encourage the organization and support of Baptist Sunday Schools, and to co-opearate with the Southern Baptist Convention in all its departments of labor.

This Association shall meet annually on Thursday before the first Sabbath in October

The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Association, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

The Moderator shall preside, or fill the chair, by calling some member of the body thereto, and enforce order in accordance with Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

The Clerk shall record the proceedings, conduct the correspondence, and publish and distribute the minutes.

The treasurer shall receive all funds contributed by the churches or individals to the objects of the Association, receipting the contributors for same, and forward all contributions to their proper destination, and make a full report of all receipts and disbursements to the Association at its annual session, and on retiring from his office turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto,

There shall be appointed by the Association at each session a Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, consisting of one member from each church belonging to the Association and several other brethren living in Rutherfordton or its immediate vicinity, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, which, during the intervals between between the meetings of the Association, shall have charge of the various interests and objects fostered by the Association, and shall encourage the churches to give liberally thereto; and shall make a full report of its work, including such suggestions relative thereto as it may think advisable, to the Association at its annual sessions.

The President, or in case of his death or disqualification, any three members of the Board may call a meeting thereof.

This constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representative voting in the affiirmative.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Fix time of meeting and adjournment.
2. Call for messengers present without letters from their churches.
3. Call for applications for membership in this body.
4. Appoint committees on Preaching and Finance.
5. Recognize in their official capacity, any present who may represent general denominational interests.
6. Call for correspondents, renewing the call at the opening of each morning session.
7. Appoint committees on State of Religion, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Sabbath Schools, Temperance, Education, Orphanage, Deceased Ministers, Aged Ministers, Nominations State and Southern Conventions, Place and Introductory Sermon of next Session, Periodicals, etc., urging reports as soon as possible.
8. Call for reports of committees.
9. Ordered: That this Association, at this session, 1894, appoint a suitable man as Historian, whose business it shall be to collect such facts as he may be able to do, in reference to our church and associational history, and report the same annually, until the same shall have been completed.
10. Give an opportunity to present the claims of Foreign, Home, State Missions and Orphanage, with any other general interest supported by this body.
11. Fix Time and Place of next meeting and appoint the introductory preacher, an alternate, also minister to preach the missionary sermon.
12. Appoint correspondents to other bodies.
13. Miscellaneous business.
14. Elect delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions.
15. Elect Board provided for in Constituion.
16. Arrange for printing, distributing Minutes and paying Clerk.
17. Adjourn.

ECHOES FROM THE CHURCHES.

Beulah—Pray for us.

Camp Creek—Had five day's meeting in August.

Cane Creek—Is strict on temperance. Has two licentiates. Has been blessed with a series of meetings. Asks an interest in our prayers.

Chapel Hill—Was constituted with twenty members March 20th, 1898. Since then has almost completed a house of worship. They ask to be admitted into this body and are received.

Columbus—We have had a meeting of ten days in which J. M. Burnett aided the pastor. The membership seems to be revived.

Cooper's Gap—Are faithful on temperance, Has been greatly revived. Pray for us.

Daysartsville—We stand as a beacon light on temperance. We had a meeting of 12 days.

Green River—We are endeavoring to carry out the temperance resolutions. Pray for us.

Green's Creek—Asks for the next meeting of this body. Not granted.

Hall Town—Has a nice house on the way. Had a good revival and have a flourishing Sunday School.

Marion—We are carrying out the temperance resolutions. W. M. Society Missions, $17.81; S. B. Society, $1.97.

Mills Spring—Had no revival meeting, owing to illness of pastor at time appointed.

Montford's Cove—Woman's Missionary Society $11,00

Mount Vernon—Has their house ready for painting. Had a gracious revival. Asks for the meeting of this body. Request granted.

Mountain View—Was constituted June 1898 with 26 members. Has secured ground on which to build a house. Has a temperance resolution.

Old Fort—Has organized a Woman's Missionary Society with eight members.

Pleasant Hill—We have had a glorious revival.

Round Hill—We had three Sunday Schools in two and a half miles of the church during the summer with about 40 scholars in each school.

Rutherfordton—Woman's Society, $94.72. Sunbeam Society $11.40.

Sunny Vale—We are struggling for the cause of Christ. We ask for $25.00 to help support our pastor,

Whiteside Valley—Has paid her pledge for Missions and asks for our prayers.

PASTORS, CHLERKS, SUPERINTENDENTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS, POSTOFFICES AND SABBATH OF PREACHING.

CHURCHES.	S. of P.	PASTORS	POSTOFFICES.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	POSTOFFICES.
Bethel.	2	H. D. Harrill	Forest City, N. C.	E G. Goforth.	Nealsville, N. C.	A B Mashburn,	Nealsville, N. C.
Bethlehem.	1	W. M Whiteside	Rutherfordton,“	A W. Gilliam,	Old Fort, “	N C Jones	Marion, “
Beulah.	1	Elbert Jacksou	Bright, “	A L Pitman.	Landrum, S. C.	R P Pitman,	Mills Spring, “
Bills Creek.		H D Harrill	Forest City, “	J. C. Frady.	Uree, N. C.		
Big Level.	4	A T Joues	Swain, S. C.	T M Ruppe,	Bright, “	Jerry Jackson,	Poplar Grove, “
Bridgewater.	2	B K Mason	Marion, N. C.	J C Price.	Kalb, S. C.	Chas D Hemphill,	Bridgewater, “
Camp Ceek.	2	J M Walker	Rutherfordton,“	I O Clements.	Trio, N. C.		
Cane Creek.	3	R M Gilbert	Grassy Knob, “	M A Searcy.	Grassy Knob, “	J M Gibbs,	Grassy Knob, “
Chapel Hill.	3	B K Mason	Marion, “	Jasper Norton,	Marion, “	Benj Corpening,	Marion, “
Clear Creek	2	J C Sorrels	Nealsville, “	W D Long.	Greenlee, “	N Buchannan,	Greenlee, “
Columbus	1	T B Justice	Rutherfordton,“	N B Hampton,	Columbus, “	Jno P Arledge,	Columbus, “
Cooper's Gap	2	A T Jones	Swain, S. C.	P P Jackson,	Bright, “	J G Laughter,	Dimsdale, “
Dysartsville	3	W M Whiteside	Rutherford'n,N.C.	J. R Denton,	Dysartville, “	J D Taylor,	Dysartsville, “
Eureka	2	Z T Whiteside	Uree, N. C.	A S Whiteside,	Ayr, “	Z T Whiteside,	Uree, “
Green River	4	H D Harrill	Forest City, “	Wm Hines,	Clover, “	H L Henderson,	Poors Ford, “
Green's Creek	3	T J Moss	Forest City, “	T M Walker,	Melvin Hill, “	G T Feagan,	Collinsville, “
Hall Town	3	P J Shell	Linville, “	J T Rector,	Marion, “	J T Proctor,	Mariou, “
Harmony Grove	1	B B Harris	Dysartville, “	W S Freeman,	Marion, “	W S Freeman,	
Macedonia	1	J M Walker	Rutherfordton,“	J M Watkins,	Nealsville, “		
Marion	1 and 3	B K Mason	Marion, “	B B Price,	Marion, “	B B Price,	Marion, “
Mills Spring	3	T B Justice	Rutherfordton,“	Butler Jackson,	Mills Spring, “	O T Baynard,	Mills Spring “
Montfords Cov	2	T J Moss	Forest City, “	J W Morgan,	Otter Creek, “	J W Morgan,	Otter Creek, “
Mountain Creek	3	C B Justice	Rutherfordton,“	A P Rucker,	Darlington, “	A L Rucker,	Rutherfordton.“
Mount Vernon	2	G M Webb	Shelby, “	Miller L Wilson,	Logan's Store, “	N J Rollins,	Myrtle, “
Mountain View	3	Elbert Jackson	Bright, “	J R Jackson,		J R Jackson,	
Old Fort	4	B K Mason	Marion, “	G M Keeter,	Old Fort, “	P C Harmon,	Old Fort, “
Piney Knob	2	Z D Harrill	Ellenboro, “	J B Elliott,	Cuba, “	W L Bland,	Nanito, “
Pleasant Grove	4	T J Moss	Forest City, “	D H Howser,	Green Hill, “	G B Milton,	Greeen Hill, “
Pleasant Hill	2	W M Whiteside	Rutherfordton,“	D T Nanney,	Twitty, “	C C Lovelace,	Mack, “
Rock Spring	3	A T Jones	Swain, S. C.	H M Whiteside,	Uree, “	H M Whiteside,	Poores Ford “
Round Hill	1	C B Justice	Rutherford'n,N.C.	A P Sorrels,	Gilkey, “	A P Sorrels,	Gilkey, “
Rutherfordton	2 and 4	C B Justice	Rutherfordton,“	T C Smith,	Rutherfordton,“	T C Smith,	Rutherfordton,“
Stone Mountain	2	Elbert Jackson	Bright, “	C M Nanney,	StoneMountain“	J I Nanney,	StoneMountain“
Sunny Vale	4	I J Ratcliff	Garden City, “	J P Padgett,	Garden City, “	I J Ratcliff,	Garden City, “
Turkey Cove	4	J C Sorrels	Nealsville, “	J J Hollifield,	Armstrong, “	J J Hollifield,	Armstrong “
Walnut Grove	3	J C Sorrels	Nealsville, “	J H Brown,	Ashford, “	J H Brown,	Ashford, “
[illegible]	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Chimney Rock“	S J Collins	Grassy Knob “

Statistical and

CHURCHES.	CHURCH STATISTICS.									SUNDAY S. STATISTICS.						
	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Offi's & Teach'rs	Scholars.	Vol. in Library.	Papers Taken.	School Expen's	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.
Bethel,	7	3	1	18	—	4	99	147	246	6	65	—	30	$ 1 50	$ 80 00	$
Bethlehem,	2	—	—	13	1	—	40	63	103	4	56	—	50	2 20	50 00	—
Beulah,	—	3	—	4	4	2	10	19	29	5	56	—	12	30	10 00	—
Big Level,	—	2	1	5	2	—	30	65	95	5	37	—	72	1 50	38 75	—
Bill's Creek,	3	5	2	3	2	3	45	125	170						40 00	—
Bridgewater,	—	—	—	2	—	—	12	15	27	6	25	31	25	4 00	100 00	8
Camp Creek,	1	—	1	—	—	1	23	65	93							—
Cane Creek,	2	4	—	1	4	1	31	68	99	7	98		210	4 20	25 00	—
Chapel Hill,	3	6	—	—	—	—	10	19	29	6	62		70	7 20	25 00	—
Clear Creek,	11	13	—	3	—	1	12	29	41	8	60		64	6 00	20 00	5
Columbus,	2	2	—	1	3	1	44	69	113	5	35		50	4 05	112 00	8
Coopers Gap,	12	5	8	25	2	2	56	76	132	7	45		37	2 50	35 50	
Dysartville,	8	2	1	1	—	2	57	116	173	8	84		150	3 71	60 00	2
Eureka,	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	7	12	1	10		10		15 25	—
Green River,	—	3	—	13	1	1	46	74	120	3	30		220	4 40	37 00	—
Green's Creek,	—	6	—	4	1	4	39	90	120	7	43		66	1 84	60 00	—
Hall Town,	—	2	—	2	—	—	17	25	40	6	58				25 00	—
HarmonyGr've	5	3	—	2	—	—	56	74	130	6	66		73	3 60	30 00	—
Macedonia,	15	4	1	4	—	1	32	43	75							
Marion,	—	7	—	12	3	2	25	47	72	6	72		140	31 40	225 00	25
Mills Spring,	—	3	—	6	1	1	41	77	118	6	45	36	50	5 53	100 00	11
Montf'rd'sC've				4	10	4	65	135	200	7	—		200	6 00	75 00	
Mountain Cr'k	9	3	2	20	1	1	106	138	244	7	79		71	3 45	75 00	
Mount Vernon,	36	10	2	5	2	1	131	199	330	24	120		100	21 50		33
Mount'in View	2	2					14	16	30							
Old Fort,	2	20					26	39	65	11	59		146	23 00	110 00	9
Piney Knob,	1	1	2	8	2	4	34	51	85	6	40		42	3 40		
Pleasant Grove	2	6	1	4	2	1	52	78	131						75 00	
Pleasant Hill,	29	3		3	1	2	81	79	160	10	50		20		100 00	3
Rock Spring,			1				17	36	53	4	40		24	1 40	42 50	
Round Hill,		2		11			78	137	215	3	40		43	2 00	60 00	3
Rutherfordton,	3	5		2	1	3	74	102	176	7	90		125	21 00	200 00	26
Stone Mount'n	1	8	3	6	5		40	70	110	7	57		47	7 85	35 00	
Sunny Vale,	1						7	15	22	5	51		35	8 40	10 00	
Turkey Cove,		2	3			1	9	38	47	3	20				10 00	2
Walnut Grove,				2			2	9	11	6	26		30		12 40	
Wh'side Valley							17	34	51	9	31	7	116	3 00		
Zion Hill,		1							11							
	158	136	29	184	48	43	1490	2487	3977	211	1629	74	2328	$184 93	$2803 80	$139

Cherry Spring, Chimney Rock, Henry Station and Silver Creek not represented.

inancial Tables.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Minute Fund.	Other Objects. and Repairs.	Total.	State Missions.	Home Missions	Foreign Mis'ns	Orphanage.	Mins. Educat'n	Other Objects.	Total.	Grand Total.
$ 90	$	$ 80 90	$ 10 00	$	$ 25 00	$	$	$ 10 00	$ 45 00	$ 125 90
75		50 75	5 00		4 28	2 71		5 00	16 94	67 69
45		10 45	1 00						1 00	11 45
85	9 05	48 65		1 05	5 00				6 05	53 70
60		40 60	4 15	1 35	2 00	1 00			8 50	49 10
2 00		110 56	22 41	10 00	20 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	72 41	182 97
85		85	1 40		1 35				2 75	3 60
75		25 75						1000 00	1000 00	1025 75
1 20	175 00	201 20								701 20
1 00		26 00	2 15		1 15	1 57			4 87	30 87
50		121 20	5 40		5 53			1 35	12 28	133 48
1 20	50 00	86 70	1 00		1 00				2 00	88 70
1 25	19 02	83 07	8 08	38	5 42				13 88	96 95
35		15 60	5 00	2 00	10 00				17 00	32 60
1 00		38 00		1 00	2 00				3 00	41 00
		60 00			2 00			502 00	504 00	564 00
30		25 30	3 65					300 00	303 65	328 95
55		30 50								30 55
		1 25	6 40						6 40	7 65
1 65		252 06	15 28	8 63	15 39	13 05	1 65	41 50	95 50	347 56
1 00		112 14	5 25		5 00				10 25	122 39
50		78 66	5 55		5 00	1 65		3 00	15 20	93 86
3 00	39 75	123 25	14 05	10 55	35 11	8 26			63 57	186 82
1 40		40 79	10 25		4 55			920 00	934 80	975 59
1 00		1 00								1 00
1 00	50 55	170 55	10 00	3 44	5 00	15 93	1 00	1 00	36 37	206 92
55		55	2 00		5 32	1 51		1 12	9 95	10 50
1 05		76 05	2 00		7 50				9 50	85 55
1 10	3 95	108 90	2 35	2 35	12 40	1 25		2 25	20 60	129 50
50		43 00			3 50				3 50	46 50
1 25	177 00	251 25	13 85	6 20	12 71	1 50			34 26	285 51
1 60	25 00	254 10	93 13	151 34	114 89	25 70		1 00	389 06	643 16
70	5 80	41 50	2 00		1 00				3 00	44 50
50		10 50	1 02						1 02	11 52
50		12 80	1 00					1 00	2 00	14 80
25		12 65	1 20		4 00	1 00			6 20	18 85
50		50	4 14		3 01				7 15	7 65
332 55	$535 13	$3536 03	$358 71	$198 29	$319 06	$85 13	$7 65	$2794 22	$3663 22	$7199 09

TREASURER'S REPORT;

CHURCHES.	State Mis'ns.	F'r'ign Mis'ns.	Home Mis'ns.	Orph.	Aged Mins	Mins'l Edu'n	Total	Min Fund.
Bethel,	$ 13 65	$ 19 35	$ 2 00		$	$	$ 35 00	$ 90
Bethlehem,		4 38		$ 2 71			7 09	75
Beulah,	1 00						1 00	45
Big Level,	4 15	2 00	1 35	1 00			8 50	60
Bill's Creek,		4 96	1 05				6 01	80
Bridgewater,	1 00	11 77	8 69	3 40	4 00	5 00	33 86	2 00
Camp Creek,	1 40	1 35					2 75	85
Cane Creek,								75
Chapel Hill,								1 20
Cherry Spring,								35
ChimneyRock,								
Clear Creek,	2 15	1 15		1 57			4 87	90
Columbus,	5 40	5 00			1 35		11 75	50
Coopers Gap,	1 05	2 15					3 20	1 20
Dysartville,	8 08	39	38				8 85	1 25
Eureka,	5 00	10 00	2 00				17 00	35
Green River,	1 00	2 00					3 00	1 00
Green's Creek,								90
Hall Town,								30
HarmonyGr've				50			50	55
Henry Station,								
Macedonia,		1 00					1 00	30
Marion,	15 28	15 45	14 93		1 25	1 65	48 56	1 65
Mills Spring,	5 80	5 00					10 80	1 00
Montf'rd'sC've	5 00	5 00	55				10 55	50
Mountain Cr'k	7 50	32 76	8 50				48 76	3 30
Mount'in View								1 10
Mount Vernon,	10 25	4 55					14 80	1 40
Old Fort,	5 73	5 00			1 00	1 00	12 73	1 00
Piney Knob,	2 00			1 51			3 51	55
Pleasant Grove	2 01	2 00					4 01	1 05
Pleasant Hill,	2 35	10 26	2 35	1 25			16 21	1 10
Rock Spring,		3 50					3 50	50
Round Hill,	10 60	13 68	6 62	1 50			32 41	1 25
Rutherfordton,	48 21	95 39	83 17	25 70			253 47	1 60
Silver Creek,		3 00					3 00	1 50
Stone Mount'n	2 00	1 00					2 00	70
Sunny Vale,								
Turkey Cove,								50
Walnut Grove,		4 00		1 00			5 00	45
Wh'side Valley	4 14	3 01					17 15	50
Zion Hill,								
S S Association	7 86			11 02			18 88	
M A Harvey,	50	1 00					1 50	
Collections,	16 32			22 00		5 71	44 03	
	$189 44	$270 10	$131 50	$73 16	$8 60	$13 35	$686 25	$35 50

The "collection" in last item of this report refers to those taken up during the session of this body. Nearly $200.00 was contributed by the Woman's Missionary Societies. See report of their second annual meeting elsewhere in these minutes. Rutherfordton and Pleasant Hill sent valuable boxes of clothing to Home Missionaries. Also several amounts were contributed by Sunday Schools which was duly credited to their respective churches. Piney Knob church sent $5 for Gospel Missions and its S. S. 32 cents. There was a balance on last year's work for State Missions from Round Hill and Rutherfordton churches came in too late for this report. All of which is respectfully submitted. A. L. GRAYSON, Treasurer.

We have examined the receipts and find proper credits for $686.25 asreported.

T. C. SMITH,
G. W. HODGE,
J. H. CALLAHAN,
} Committee.

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OFFICERS:

M. M, LANDRUM, MODERATOR, - - - Fingerville, S. C.
ALBERT L. GRAYSON, TREASURER, - Rutherfordton, N. C.
ALONZO P. SORRELS, CLERK. - - - - Gilkey, N. C.

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Ordained Ministers:

Elder J. R. Denton, - - Dysartsville, McDowell County, N. C.
Elder M. C. Elliott, - - Rocky Pass, McDowell County, N. C.
Elder J. F. Haney, - - - Old Fort, McDowell County, N. C.
Elder H. D. Harrill, - - Forest City, Rutherford County, N. C.
Elder B. B. Harris, - - Dysartsville, McDowell County, N. C.
Elder W. L. Haynes, - - Green Hill, Rutherford County, N. C.
Elder M. A. Harvey, - - Old Fort, McDowell County, N. C.
Elder Elbert Jackson, - - - Turner, Polk County, N. C.
Elder C. B. Justice, - Rutherfordton, Rutherford County, N. C.
Elder T. B. Justice, - Rutherfordton, Rutherford County, N. C.
Elder M. M. Laudrum, - Fingerville, Spartanburg County, S. C.
Elder W. H. Logan, - - - Ayr, Rutherford, County, N. C.
Elder A. B. Mashburn, - Nealsville, McDowell County, N. C.
Elder J. I. Moffitt, - Stone Mountion, McDowell County, N. C.
Elder J. C. Sorrels, - - Garden City, McDowell County, N. C.
Elder E. L. Taylor, - Rutherfordton, Rutherford County, N. C.
Elder J. M. Walker, - Rutherfordton, Rutherford County, N. C.
Elder W. M. Whiteside, Rutherfordton, Rutherford County, N. C.
Elder Z. T. Whiteside, Uree, Rutherford County, N. C.

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Licentiates:

J. M. Taylor, - - Rutherfordton, Rutherford County, N. C.
M. F. Pyatt, - - - Bridgewater, McDowel County, N. C.
George Gibson, - - - - Nebo, McDowell County, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

MOUNT VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rutherford County, N. C., September 28th, 1899.

Tha Fifty-Ninth Annual Sesslon of the Green River Baptist Association convened at 11 A. M., today.

The introductory sermon was preached by W. M. Whiteside, Text, II Timothy, iv, 2, "Preach the Word." Recess one hour.

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Afternoon Session.

M. M. Landrum read Rom xii, and led in prayer. Then the roll of churches was called, and letters read by T. B. Justice and A. L. Rucker.

Delegates were enrolled as follows:

Bethel—A. B. MASHBURN, C. B. Morris, J. W. Grayson, W. T. Robison, T. C. Morgan.

Bethlehem—G. G. Morgan, N. C. Jones, N. Hawkins.

Beulah—R. C. Champion.

Big Level—Letter.

Bills Creek—P. C. Shitle, C. D. Earle, T. E. Fardy.

Bridgewater—P. P. Price, J. C. Price, W. P. Hemphill, B. H. Bomar.

Camp Creek—J. A. Morehead, Joseph Hutchins, J. L. Barnes.

Cane Creek—Not represented.

Chapel Hill—B. T. Corpening, B. C. Poteet.

Cherry Spring—W. G. Walker, G. L. Fortune.

Chimney Rock—

Clear Creek—N. Buchanan, J. C. SORRELS, James Turner.

Columbus—Letter.

Cooper's Gap—J. A. Mills, R. P. Gibbs.

Dysartsville—J R. DENTON, W. H. Taylor, J. F. Foster.

Henry Station—

Macedonia—Letter.

Marion—Wm. Blanton, M. M. LANDRUM,

Mills Spring—A. C. Boone, H. T. Green, J. J. Lambright.

Montford's Cove—S. R. Hall, Logan Holford.

Mountain Creek—W. H. Rucker, H. Portrum, C.M.Lewis,M.B.Flack.

Mountain View—B. P. Jackson, H. H. Jackson, Elbert Jackson.

Mount Vernon—H. A. Harrill, A. E. Wilson, J. G. Logan, M. E. Norville, R. K. Wilson, J. H. Smith, J. R. Walker.

Old Fort—Jno. Pendergrass.

Piney Knob—M. L. Haynes, J. T. Bland.

Pleasant Grove—G. P. Milton, M. K. Lynch, J. H. Lattimore, W. L. HAYNES.

Pleasant Hill—J. M. WALKER, M. D. Hill.

Rock Sprink—Marion Whiteside.

Round Hill—D. J. HUNT, A. P. Sorrels, A. Nanney, J. C. Keeter, I. P. Sorrels, J. D. Morris.

Rutherfordton—A. L. Grayson, J. H. Callahan, C. B. Justice, H. D. Harrill, T. B. Justice, H. M. Croom.

Silver Creek—C. C. Collins, C. C. Jones.

Stone Mountain—M. Hall, J. I. Moffit.

Sunny Vale—

Turkey Cove—Letter.

Walnut Grove—Letter.

Whiteside Valley—P. P. Parker, J. R. Whiteside.

Zion Hill—

Suspending the rule, by motion the following officers were elected: M. M. Landrum, Moderator; A. P. Sorrels, Clerk; A. L. Grayson, Treasurer. Fixed time to meet and adjourn. Meet at 9:30 A. M., spend one half hour in devotional exercises; adjourn at 12 M.; meet at 1 P. M.; adjourn at pleasure.

Invitation for churches wishing to join this body. None applied.

Welcomed J. E. White, J. C. Caddell, A. Johnson.

Committee on Religious Exercises. Pastor and deacons of Mount Vernon Church.

Committee on Finance—A. L. Grayson, J. D. Morris, W. H. Taylor, W. P. Hemphill.

Correspondents from King's Mountain Association—A. C. Erwin, G. M. Webb, B. M. Bridges.

Sandy Run—Z. D. Harrill.

Report of Board of Missions and Sunday Schools was read by C. B. Justice. Fixed time for Periodicals 10:30 tomorrow; State Missions, 11 A. M.; Orphanage, 1 P. M.

Called to prayer by A. Johnson in behalf of O. L Stringfield, C. B. Justice leading. Dismissed by A. C. Erwin.

Second Day--Morning Session.

Met 9:30 o'clock. Devotional exercises by the Moderator.

Correspondents from King's Mountain, T. Dixon; Sandy Run, A. P. Hollifield. Read and adopted record of yesterday, omitting roll call until tomorrow.

The Moderator announced the following committees.

State Missions—J. E. White, C. B. Morris, J. A. Morehead, M. B. Flack, and H. A. Harrill.

Home Missions—T B. Justice, G. B. Milton, J.C. Keeter, J. T Bland, S. R. Hall.

Foreign Missions—J. R. Denton, N. Buchanan, B. T. Corpening, J. A. Mills, G. M. Walton.

State of Religion—C. B. Justice, John Pendergrass, I. P. Sorrells, J. H. Lattimore, J. H. Brown.

Sabbath Schools—J. M. Walker, W. H. Rucker, A. E. Wilson, M. L. Haynes, James Turner.

Temperance—W. M. Whiteside, J. L. Vines, G. L. Fortune, B. P. Gibbs, Wm. Hines.

Education—D. J. Hunt, J. H. Smith, T. C. Smith, C. M. Lewis, J. W. Grayson.

Orphanage—A. Johnson, H. Portrum, R. H. Bomar, N. G. Walker, J. G. Rayburn.

Deceased Ministers—T. C. Morgan, Rolin Ruppe, L. C. Gibbs, L. M. Price, L. D Hemphill.

Aged Minister's Relief—J. C. Price, R. L. Hall, J. Hines, G. E. Watkins, R. K. Wilson.

Southern and State Conventions—Wm. Blanton, J. G. Logan, M. D. Hill, A. Nanney, J. H. Callahan.

Place and Introductory Sermon Next Session—J. D. Morris, W. H. Taylor, J. E. Smith, Mills L. Justice, E. P. Parker.

Periodicals—J. C. Caddell, Logan Holford, M. M. Lovelace, J. I. Moffit, J. C. Sorrels.

To Nominate Board of Missions and Sunday Schools—H. D. Harrill, W. L. Haynes, Millard Pyatt, Z. V. Hudgins, C. C. Collins.

By motion received the report on Missions and Sunday Schools as read by C. B. Justice yesterday.

G. M. Webb announced preaching at the stand: B. M. Bridges 11AM., A. P. Hollifield in the afternoon. C. B. Justice asked that the business of the Association be not neglected- J. R. Denton that we give preaching to those desiring it.

Report on Periodicals read by J. C. Caddell—discussed by J. C. Caddell, A. Johnson. Report adopted.

Report on State Missions read and discussed by J. E. White, pledges from churches and adopted report. Collections for State Missions $21.00.

Granted a letter of dismission to Green River church. Benediction by J. C. Sorrels. Adjourned one hour.

Afternoon Session.

Called to order by the Moderator. A. Johnson read report on Orphanage which was discussed by A. Johnson and C. B. Justice. Report adopted. Pledges taken. Collections $20.20.

Remarks by J. E. White on Woman's Work.

By motion made Home Missions the order for 10AM., tomorrow. Foreign Missions 11AM; Education, 1PM.; Correspondence to Sanday Run, H. D. Harrill. All present to represent us. From Sanday Run J. E. Herring, T. J. Moss. Adjourned. Benediction by J. E. Herring.

Third Day- Morning Session.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by W. M. Whiteside, J. E Herring read 118 Psalm; prayer, N. C. Jones. Called and corrected roll.Read and adopted record of yesterday.

Report on Home Missions read by T. B. Justice; remarks, T. B. Justice, C. B. Justice, J. C. Caddell. Report adopted.

Changed the order forForeign Missions and Education.

Adopted report on nominations.

D. J. Hunt, read report on Education. Remarks by C. B. Justice, J. R. Denton, D. J. Hunt. Extended time one half hour. Afternoon recess three-quarters of an hour.

Afternoon Session.

Education resumed. Remarks by M. H. Justice, Pledges taken, and

report adopted. Report on Foreign Missions read by J. R. Denton. Remarks by J. R. Denton. Report adopted after taking pledges. Report on Temperance by W. M. Whiteside. Discussed by W. M. Whiteside, Adopted. Report on State of Religion read by C. B. Justice; diseussed by J. R, Denton, D. J. Hunl, T. B. Justice, J. E. Herring, G. M. Webb. Adopted. Report on Board of Missions and Sunday Schools read by H. D. Harrill, adopted. Report on Place and Introductory read by T. B. Justice; remarks by W. M. Whiteside, C. B. Justice. Report amended by striking out Rutherfordton and inserting Dysartsville, adopted. Report adopted on Finance when changed by inserting $8.00 for $10.00 for Clerk, adopted. Report on Aged Minister's Relief read by J. C. Price, adopted. Report on Deceased Minister by T. C. Morgan, adopted. Report on Sunday School deferred to 10AM, tomorrow. Resolution of thanks by W. M. Whiteside, adopted. Adjourned to 10AM tomorrow. Prayer H. M. Croom.

Fourth Day.

Prayer by A. B. Mashburn. Called to order by Moderator. Read and adopted record of yesterday. By motion in the abscence of a report on Sunday Schools, remarks were made by W. M.Whiteside J. M. Walker read report on this snbject. also discussed by C. B. Justice. Report adopted. By motion authorized the Moderator to appoint two additional members on Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, living at Rutherfordton. By motion adjourned to meet with the church at Dysartsville, on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1900.

At the hour Rev. M. M. Landrum preached in the house from I John iii, 1. T. Dixon preached at the stand from John xiv, 6. Collection fo State Missions $16.81. Recess one hour.

At 1 P M Rev. C. B. Justice preached in the house from Matt. xvi, 24 and John xxvii, 28. W. M. Whiteside preached at the stand from Acts xvi, 25.

The following resolution was adopted Saturday: Resolved, that we extend our heartfelt thanks to our beloved Moderator and officers for their efficient services, and this church and people for their abundant hospitality. W. M. WHITESIDE.

The meeting of the Association at Mount Vernon will be remembered by many of us as one of its most successful meetings.

See pledges and reports of Committees.

Be true to God and faithful in His vineyard till we meet at Dysartsville one year hence D. V. M. M. LANDRUM, Moderator.
A. P. SORRELS, Clerk.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

The Womans Missionary Society of the Green River Association met in annual Missionary Union at the stand on Thursday of the Association, October 28th, 1899, at Mount Vernon church. After singing and Bible reading by Mrs. M. L. Justice and prayer by Mrs. J. H. Grayson, vice-President of Green River Association, the Union elected Mrs. J. L. Morgan, of Marion, President, and Mrs. J L. Taylor, Secretary. The President called for reports of the different Societies, which reported as follows:

Rutherfordton—Delegates—Mrs. M. L. Justice, Mrs. J. L. Taylor—contributions for past year—Foreign Missions,$16.46; State Missions, 10.70; Home Missions, $11.99; Boxes for missionary $70.58. Total

$109.54. MISS MARY SMITH, Pres. MRS. J. A. GRAYSON, Sec. & Treas.

Rutherfordton, Sunbeams—Foreign Missions, $5.90; State, 4.40; Home Missions, $3.83. Total, $14.13 MISS ANNIE JUSTICE, President. MRS. J. A. GRAYSON, Sec. and Treasurer.

Marion—Delegate, Mrs. J. L. Morgan—Contributions for past year—Foreign Missions, $10.15; Home Missions, $4.15; Christmas offering, $1.15; Thanksgiving, $1.30; Female University, $10.25. Total, $27.00 M. J. MORGAN, President. J. M DELINGER, Secretary.

Pleasant Hill—Delegate, Miss Dora Hill—Contributions for the past year—Foreign Missions, $3.88; State Missions, $2.34; Home Missions, $2.35; Box to Home Missionary,1898, $17.40; Box to Home Missionary, 1899, $24.85. Total, $50.82. OCKY TAYLOR, Secretary MRS. M. J. GRISWOLD, President.

Bethel—Delegate, Miss Mary Grayson—Contributions for past year—Foreign Missions, $7.45; State Missions, $3.60; Home Missions, $2.81. Total, $13.86. CALLIE GOFORTH, Sec. and Treas. MARY GRAYSON, Pres.

Montford Cove—Delegates, Mrs. S. Hampton and Mrs. Hemphill—Contributions for past year—Foreign missions, $2.55; State missions, $3.11; home missions, $4.34. Total, $10.00. M. J. HARRIS, President. SALLIE HAMPTON, Secretary and Treasurer.

Dysartsville—Delegate, Mrs. S. L. Denton. Contributions for past year—Foreign missions, $1.79; State missions, $2.00; home missions, $1.50. Total, $5.29. MsrJ.M.WALKER, Pres. MrsJ.R.DENTON, Sec.& Tr.

Mount Vernon—Delegates, Sudie Morgan and Lucy Walker. Contributions for past year—Foreign missions, $2.00; State missions, $3.00; home missions, $5.00. Total, $10.00. ANNIE WILSON, President. MATTIE WALKER, Secretary.

Round Hill—Delegates, Ada Sorrels and Laura Morris. Contributions for past year—Foreign missions, $2.40; State missions, $2.00; Home missions, $2.00. Total, $6.40. CORDELIA SORRELS, Secretary and Treas. MARTHA SORRELS, President.

Old Fort—No report.

Clear Creek—No report.

Camp Creek—No report.

Two new Societies organized the past year.

All Societies reported seemed hopeful and encouraged for future work with one or two exceptions. Montford's Cove asked for the prayers of the Union, and Round Hill feels the loss, by death, of one of its most consecrated members, Mrs. Nanney.

Mrs. Grayson read a kind and sympathetic letter from Miss Heck, President of the Womon's Missionary Society addressed to the Green River Associaton. All joined in singing "I want to be a worker" etc,lead by Miss Wilson. Letter read by Miss Wilson from Miss White of Canton, China, on the system of idolatry, which she says is being slowly undermined by Christian books, teaching and the words of men who have been to America and other countries. Letter read by Mrs. Hampton from Mrs. Tatum, of Shanghai, China about the blessed opportunities God is giving us and asking prayers for physical and spiritual strength. Other letters were read from Mrs. Pruitt and Mrs. Britton by Mrs. Mattie Logan and Miss Lucy Walker. Misses Dora Hill and Ola Whiteside read a poem "Your Own," with Scriptural responses. Miss Whiteside promised to try to organize a Society in her Church, Whiteside Valley, the only church represented without one. The associational meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society adjourned after deciding to ask Mr. John E. White to address them during the Association.

FRIDAY, October 29—Mr. White addressed the Woman's Missionary Society in the church. It was an eloquent talk on the "duty" of women helping to spread the Gospel and a privilege she should be allowed. A grand plea for "Woman's Rights," the only "rights" theBaptist women of North Carolina want, the right to help spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to uplift and elevate mankind.

MRS. J. L. TAYLOR,
Secretary of Associational Meeting.

PLEDGES FOR MISSIONS.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Education.
Bethel	$ 15 00	$ 5 00	$ 20 00	$ 5 00	$ 2 00
Bethlehem	5 00	2 00	5 00	3 50	1 00
Big Level			2 00		
Bills Creek	1 00	1 00		1 00	
Bridgewater	20 00	15 00	15 00		10 00
Camp Creek	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	
Chapel Hill	1 50	2 00	2 00	1 50	
Cherry Spring	5 00		2 00		2 00
Clear Creek	10 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	
Columbus		2 25	4 00		
Cooper's Gap	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	
Dysartsville	7 00	3 00	5 00	3 00	
Eureka	3 00	1 00	5 00	1 50	
Green's Creek	2 00	2 00		2 00	
Hall Town	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 50	
Harmony Grove	5 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	1 00
Macedonia	1 00				
Marion	20 00	5 00	15 00	10 00	2 50
Mills Spring	6 50	1 50	4 00	2 00	1 00
Montford's Cove	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	
Mountain Creek	30 00	20 00	30 00	5 00	2 00
Mount Vernon	12 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	2 00
Mountain View	1 50	1 00	50	2 00	
Old Fort	8 00	3 50	5 00	5 00	
Piney Knob	2 00	1 00	2 00	1 50	
Pleasant Grove	3 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	
Pleasant Hill	5 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	
Rock Spring	1 00	1 00	3 50	1 00	
Round Hill,	15 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	1 00
Rutherfordton	100 00	50 00	100 00	40 00	5 00
Silver Creek	1 00				
Stone Mountain	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	
Turkey Cove	1 00	1 00	2 00		
Walnut Grove	2 00	2 00	4 00		
Whiteside Valley	2 00	1 25	2 00	1 50	
	$295 50	$152 50	$287 50	$116 00	$29 50

REPORT ON PLACE AND INTRODUCTORY.

We your committee on Time and Place of next session of the Green River Association be held with the church at Rutherfordton, Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1900, Elder D. J. Hunt to preach the Introductory Sermon, J. C. Sorrells, alternate.

J. P. MORRIS, W. H. TAYLOR,
S. R. HALL, A. C. BOONE, J. E. SMITH, } Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee would say that, after another year of labor and sacrifice, there are still millions of human beings who have never heard of Jesus and salvation. It devolves upon God's people to carry the Gospel to every land and even to every creature. Then let us not slack our en-

ergy or abate our interest in this great work. Respectfully submitted.
J. R. DENTON, G. M. WALTON, J. A. MILLS, N. BUCHANAN, B. F. CORPENING, } Committee.

STATE MISSIONS.

Since last session of the Association another year of splendid work has been added to the record of State Missions. Three hundred and fifty-eight mission stations have been occupied by our missionaries. Not less than 1500 believers have been baptized into the fellowship of mission churches, and 15,000 have heard the Gospel. It is a matter for rejoicing that under God this work has been such a mighty factor in the upbuilding of the Master's Kingdom in North Carolina and the world. Dr. C. Durham, said before he died, that never since the days of the apostles on earth has any work been more successful in giving the Gospel to the people. The work seems now to be just entering the greatest period of its history. The divine call to go forward is in our ears. The door swings open before us. God has called the Baptists to take this State for Christ. We are just the people God has fitted for this work. In our State one million people are out of Christ—"without God in the world." There are whole counties without a self-supporting Baptist church. There are ten whole counties lying east of Greensboro in which there are only forty-four churches and only four of these self-sustaining. The Board has nine missionaries at work in these counties. Attention should be seriously called to the fact that in God's Providence we have been called to enlarge the work. The addition of the western counties formerly composing the Western North Carolina Convention has trumpet call to enlargement. We have increased our appropriation to $20,000 the year. We recommend and and urge that each church in the Association increase its pledges for next year 33⅓ per cent. to meet our share of the providential enlargement of the work.—Committee.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Home mission work is but a feature in the great system of work for the conversion of mankind. It is one way of obeying the Captain of our salvation. It goes hand in hand with foreign missions, State missions, associational missions, and every other means by which the news of salvation through Jesus Chri t is told, and to be told. Sent by God, through us, is the news of redemption to be delivered to every creature. Home mission work reaches many destitute parts of North Carolina, but it is not confined to our State. Its influence is powerful throughout the South—but it is not limited to the Southern States, or the American Continent. Most of the States composing the Southern Baptist Convention are aided in Christian work by the funds contributed to this board. The Indians are not forgotten and a portion of it is applied to work among the negroes. The frontier States and territories must not be ignored, and the door-way of glorious opportunities is turning us into fields ripe for harvest. God has greatly blessed our efforts through this board, and his command and his promises are unfailing. It is God's work, to be done by you and me. Let us be faithful.

T. B. JUSTICE, Chairman, G. B. MILTON, S. R. HALL, } Committee.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are taught in the Scriptures that we, as Christians, are "not our own; that we are bought with a price; that we are Christ's and Christ is God's, and that we ought thereforefore to glorify God in our bodies and in our spirits, which are His." We also learn that the Lord claims as sacred to Himself the very best service we can offer. In the days of sacrifices He demanded the "firstling of the flock—a lamb without spot or blemish." Again we are commanded to "honor the Lord with our substance and with the first fruits of all our increase." Herein your committee finds an unanswerable argument for Christian education for the fullest development of every useful power, body, mind and that we

may be able to render the most efficient service possible to "Him who loved us and gave Himself for us." True education would train the hand to labor, the voice to speak and sing God's praises, the mind to think profoundly and logically, the heart to feel and sympathize with unfortunate humanity. Education gives power, and as the railroad track guides the mighty engine and makes it such a potent influence in our civilization, so we need Christianity to direct forces generated by education to accomplish wise and noble ends.

Not only do we find Christian education to be an obligation which we cannot neglect with impunity, but it is also a matter of wisest policy to us as a denomination. It gives us prestige and influence, enables us the more effectually to meet the various forms of heresy that are pouring into our section, and to preserve inviolate our distinctive principles which are so vital to the religious world. As Baptists we are set for the defense of the Gospel, for the preservation of the "ordinances once delivered to the saints." The various forms of dangerous heresy that are about us are defended by strong minds. Let us have Christian scholars that Greek may meet Greek on the field of conflict.

We have just cause to congratulate ourselves, as a denomination, upon our educational work, having more money invested in colleges and seminaries than any other people. We rejoice most heartily in the recent growth and enlargement of our institutions. In 1872 we had just $3,000,000 invested in educatonal work, in 1897 we had over $10,000,000, a gain of $7,000,000 in 25 years. Marvelous growth.

Among institutions for higher education of women, perhaps it must be conceded that Vassar, an institution founded by the Baptists, takes the lead. The University of Chicago is perhaps recognized as the leading university in America, especially for graduate study. Baptists have no reason to be ashamed of the stand they are taking in education. Shall we continue this record, especially in North Carolina?

Since the Baptists are among the common people and since the safety and welfare of a Republic lies in an educated citizenship your committee would urge that special attention

1. Be given to our public schools. First, see that the officers having control are honest, judicious and have high moral character. Second, that our teachers are scholarly, and men and women of correct habits. Third, that our county boards levy a tax sufficient to prorate $2 per scholar. To those who can afford a higher education than attainable in the public schools,

2. We would recommend some college where religion and the Bible receive marked attention. We feel that Wake Forest and the Female University stand highest in the state. Our religious papers and our colleges are sources of great strength and inestimable blessings to our denomination, and to all the world.

3. Our public schools do not prepare our boys and girls to enter college, and in order to give the preparation necessary to enable one to enter any good college—and especially Wake Forest and The Female University—the Round Hill church has undertaken to establish an Academy on the church lot, to be owned and controlled by a board appointed by said church.

We would further recommend that this Association endorse and support this school.

4. Ministerial Education.—Moses and Paul were trained leaders. Their training enabled them to be great leaders. Our great leaders today are trained, and it is their training that enables them to succeed so grandly.

God is constantly calling poor boys into the ministry and if our people are lifted up to higher planes of living and led from conquest to victory it must be through a trained ministry. Let us therefore encourage and urge our young ministers to educate themselves to the greatest extent possible, and since they are poor let us give more liberally to educate them.

C. M. LEWIS, J. W. GRAYSON,
D. J. HUNT, J. H. SMITH, } Committee.

Report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools of the Green River Baptist Association.

The God of all grace, wisdom and power has, during the past year, blessed the efforts of His servants in a most wonderful manner so that the history of the past year would read almost like a chapter from the Acts of the Apostles. The wonderful results that have been so visible during the past year have not been confined to any one department of our work, but have been visible along all the lines of Christian effort including foreign missions, home missions, State missions and Sunday Schools.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

At the la t meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Foreign Mission Board reported a much larger number of conversions and baptisms during last year than in any former year in the history of the convention. The total number of baptisms for the year being 845. On the question of finances your board quotes as follows from the last report of the Foreign Mission Board: "We regret exceedingly to have to announce that our receipts for the past year have fallen somewhat behind those of several years past. Still it must be remembered that for several years we have taken extra collections to pay old indebtedness, and this year our collection have hardly been normal on account of the reaction and for other causes. We are glad to report all debts paid, and believe our work should be greatly enlarged. This can be done by increased contributions. Every one of our States can and ought to increase her contributions for this great work of the Lord Jesus." The Convention instructed the Board to increase the number of its missionaries twenty-five per cent. and to ask the denomination for an increase of twenty-five per cent. in contributions. In obedience to those instructions the Board has sent out, since the meeting of the convention a number of missionaries, This increase in our mission force will necessitate an increase in our contributions. Your Board would recommend that this Association make an effort to enlarge the contributions of the churches not less than twenty-five per cent. This can be easily done if the necessary effort is made.

HOME MISSIONS.

The following figures taken from the report of the Home Mission Board as submitted to the Southern Baptist Convention at its last session gives the results of the work of the Board for the last year, No. of missionaries, 653; weeks of labor, 17,424; churches and stations supplied, 2,520; sermons and addresses delivered, 64,718; prayer meetings held, 12,620; religious visits made, 108,336; baptized, 6,552; total additions, 12,983. For the year ending April 30, 1899, the board of home missions received from the churches and expended for this work $61,794-.58, an increase of $7,744.17 over the previous year.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention was appointed eight years ago last May. Its object is to foster and develop the Sunday School interest in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention and thereby aid our pastors and churches in the prosecution of their God-given work of preaching the gospel, teaching the people to the end that sinners may be saved and the saved edified and develop into useful Christians. Its motto is "A Baptist Sunday School, supplied with good Baptist literature, in every neighborhood in the bounds of the Soushern Baptist Convention." The literature published by it is equal to any that is being published, and in its general make up is better adapted to the wants of Southern Baptists than is any Sunday Schooi publications known so your board. We therefore advise all the churches to use in their Sunday Schools the literature of the Southern Baptist Convention as by so doing they will not only be supplying their Schools with the best of literature, but at the same time be making it possible for the board to do still greater good as all the profits derived from its

publications are appropriated to Bible distribution, Sunday School missions and foreign and home missions. We would call special attention to the following paragraph taken from the last report of the Sunday School Board as read by Dr. Frost, corresponding secretary, before the Convention: "As the Convention has in mind a celebration for the year 1900, we would ask that earnest consideration be given for making that a decided advancement in the Sunday School cause through out the states and territories. There is here a great opportunity where the Convention can save a harvest that shall make the coming year surpass anything that has ever been done in the past. We need improvement in the Sunday School that we have, we need Sunday Schools in the churches that have not hitherto had them, and all along the line to improve our Sunday School condition, and to foster our Sunday School power. God's smiles have been upon us in the past, and we earnestly believe he has larger things in store for the future. He has opened a great door to the Baptists of the South; he has brought before us such opportunities as our fathers never knew; he has put in our possession means and agencies that under his blessing will redound to His honor and glory and to the inbringing of the kingdom of His Son."

STATE MISSIONS.

The Baptists of North Carolina are more largely indebted under God to State Missions for their present attainment than they are to anything else. Out of State Missions has grown the Biblical Recorder, Wake Forest College, the Orphanage, the Baptist Female University, together with all the Associations and churches in the State. Time would fail us should we attempt to recount the history of State Missions from the days of Paul Palmer to the present. The State Mission Board is this year, as directed by the Baptist State Convention at its last session, working on the basis of $20,000 instead of $15,000 as heretofore. There is now under appointment 100 missionaries who are laboring in the different parts of the State and who are doing noble work for the Master. The reports from those servants of God are full of good cheer and bids us go forward in the good work. Rev. J. C. Sorrels, the missionary in the bounds of our Association reports having preached 87 sermons, baptized 24, supplied four churches and two out stations, received by letter 26, held four protracted meetings and witnessed 63 conversions. Collected on the field for mirsions and the Orphanage $———, and for other expenses, not including salary $———, making a total of $———, also on salary in cash and subscription $53.00. There has, perhaps, never been a time when the emergencies and the Lord called more truly to our Baptist people to "earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the Saints," than the present. Never in all the history of our people error, superstition and false doctrine made such efforts to unsettle the faith, destroy the unity, and poison the minds of the people, as they are making at the present time. The state is now being canvassed from one end to the other by Mormon Elders, the advocates of the holiness craze, and various other crazes; these teachings can only result in evil and in nothing but evil, and unless the people are warned against these insidious attacks on the faith, many of them will unthoughtedly fall in with them. Are these false teachings to be met with the truth, before which they will be swept away as the chaff before the wind? The answer is with the Baptists of the State. Holding the truth as we do we are better prepared, under God, to resist successfully, those encreachments on the truth than are any other people. Will we do it? If so we must put into every neighborhood a true man who will be able to meet these teachers of false doctrines and so present the truth as to demonstrate its superiority. There has been contributed by the churches of this Association during the past year for Foreign Missions, $301.75; for home Missions, $263.60; for State Missions, $260.31; for the Orphanage, $133.33; for Education, $———; for Aged Ministers, $264.90. Making a total for all objects of $925.59. C. B. JUSTICE, President.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

Allow us as your committee to submit the following report: The statements contained in the letters from a member of the churches, in which they report precious seasons of refreshing from the presence of the Lord resulting in the refreshing of the saints, the addition to the membership of the churches by faith and baptism of ——— persons, on increase in several instances, on the amount contributed to benevolent objects, and the spirit of progress as evidenced in an increase of interest in education, and in the manifest disposition to build larger, better and neater houses of worship, indicate that the churches are making progress. The indications all point to the dawn of a brighter and better day. God seems to be leading his people to higher attainments in the life of higher Christian usefulness. Let us render praise to the author of all good for His wonderful goodness and mercy to the people of His choice.

While there is so much of God's mercy in the past and present of His dealings with us for which to be thankful, yet it is with grief and sad foreboding that we note the existence of certain evils, as it seems to us, which threaten to mar the beauty of our church organizations, to weaken our influence and damage the cause of Christ. We refer to the growing tendency to allow the occasion of the election of a pastor, one of the most important and vital duties devolving on a church, to become an occasion of division and discord, sometimes degenerating into a scramble after victory, such as is want, in many instances, to characterize political contestants in their efforts to secure their own success or to secure the election of their favorites. These things always weakens a church, destroys brotherly love and gives the world and the devil an occasion to cast reproach on the cause of Christ. These things ought not to be, and cannot be consistent with Eph. 4:3, "Endeavoring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace." We would, therefore, in the spirit of brotherly love, and prompted by a sincere desire to promote the peace and harmony of the churches and the greatest good of the entire brotherhood, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, First, not presuming to infringe on the rights of the churches nor in any way to interfere in their discipline, we advise the churches in union to abandon the present plan of calling their pastors annually and call them indefinitely, letting it be understood that the relation may be dissolved at any time that the church or pastor either, or both, may deem it necessary.

Resolved, Second, that the churches be advised to change the time of electing or calling their pastors, from the present time of calling to November, letting the pastorate begin the first of January instead of the first of October. Respectfully submitted.

C. B. JUSTICE, Pres., J. T. LATTIMORE,
T. P. SORRELLS, J. N. PENDERGRASS, } Committee.

TEMPERANCE.

Webster says that ',Temperance" means, first, moderation; particularly, habitual moderation in regard to the indulgence of the natural appetites and passions; restrained or moderate indulgence, as temperance in eating and drinking. We can heartily accept this doctrine of Temperance in our eating, working and pleasure, but it seems to us that we need a stronger word than this to teach the true Bible on the whiskey subject. Accepting the word "Temperance" on this subject we would authorize our boys to use whiskey moderately when God tells them in Prov. 25:31—"Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth its color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright." It may possibly be right from what Paul said to Timothy: "Take a little for thine often infirmaties," to use whiskey as a medicine. We can safely say upon the authority of Godis Word that it is a sin for us to be temperate in the use of whiskey. Therefore we recommend that our churches stand by the "Temperance Resolution," and that we speak out boldly against dram drinking as a beverage and that we use the stronger term, "total abstinence" in speaking with reference to this special sin.

W. M. WHITESIDES, J. L. VINES,
G. L. FORTUNE, P. P. PRICE,
B. P. GIBBS, WILLIAM HINES, } Committee.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We have $23.60 from the churches for minutes. We recommend $10 for services of clerk, and that he furnish usual church letters and have minutes printed with balance of the fund.

We also ask for the appointment of the auditing committee for treasurer's report. The moderator appointed for said committe, Brethren J. H. Callahan and T. C. Smith.

A. L. GRAYSON, W. H. TAYLOR,
W. P. HEMPBELL, J. MORRIS, } Committee.

Your Committee on Deceased ministers after some inquiry feel thankful to report that the lives of all the ministers of the Green River Association have been spared during the past year.—The Committee.

Your Committee on Nominations for delegates for the Southern Baptist Convention we recommend C. B. Justice as delegate. For State Convention we recommend J. C. Sorrells, W. M. Whitesides and H. D. Harrell.

WM. M. BLANTON, J G. LOGAN, M. D. HILL,
A. NANNEY, J. H. CALLAHAN, } Committee.

To complete above list for State Convention, the following names were added: C. B. Justice, D. J. Hunt, A. P. Sorrells, T. B. Justice, M. M. Landrum.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

The object of this Board is to extend the funds given by our churches for the support of our old preachers, who are not able longer to get a support by active work in the ministry, and who have no means of support left them in their declining years. Last year we raised $1,000 for this work and aided fourteen of our old brethren and those dependent upon them. Of the amounts collected only two-thirds is expended, one-third being invested, only the interest of which can be used. The Lord has inclined the hearts of our people to these valiant but now disabled soldiers. Every association in the State is now contributing to this cause and many of them are ready to enlarge their contributions should the demand of the Board require it. At present no increase is needed and we will ask our churches for the same amount as contributed last year.

The Board which is located at Durham, N, C., would be glad to hear of any brother needing help and entitled to support from this source,

R. L. HALL, J. C. PRICE, R. R. WILSON,
G. E. WATKINS, J. HINES, } Committee.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

In no period of our denominational history has it been so necessary that our people should be informed concerning the various interests fostered by our Convention. We are attempting to enlarge our contributions to these objects, and the success of this effort must be measured by what our brethren and sisters know of the needs and progress of our work. We are glad to commend to our people the Biblical Recorder. After sixty-five years of faithful and efficient service it is better fitted than ever before to promote the great interests for which it was created.

We note with pleasure the large increase in the circulation of Charity and Children, it is a faithful and efficient exponent of the work of our orphanage and ought to go into every Baptist home in our Association. The North Carolina Baptsst is a good paper and worthy the patronage of our people.

The Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Feld are excellent periodicals giving the necessary information concerning the Home Mission work.

J. C. CADDELL, J. C. SORRELLS,
J. L. HALFORD, J. I. MOFFITT, } Committee.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage has had a year of unusual prosperity. The hail storm of last June destroyed the crops but brought to the institution hundreds of new friends and deepened the sympathy of old ones.

There are about 180 children present. The health record for the past year has been marvelous. The institution has not had a visit from a physician in three months.

A new nursery is approaching completion which will be the most

convenient building on the ground. It will cost $2,200 when finished. Fifteen hundred dollars of this amount was contributed by one family, that of the late Dr. R. D. Fleming, of Warrenton.

It is proposed, as soon as possible, to begin the erection of a machine shop as a memorial to the late J. H. Mills, the father of Orphanage work in North Carolina. It will require at least $2,500 to establish this department. It is sorely needed, and will greatly increase the efficiency of our work. We commend this enterprise to the sympathy of the brethren. The progress of the children in their studies is most gratifying The school is under the direction of the General Manager, who has four excellent teachers in charge of eight grades. We are glad to report thorough work done in every department of the school. The church and Sunday School are doing a good work. Every helpful and gracious influence is brought to bear upon the young lives to train them for Christ. We urge every church in the Green River Association to bear a part in the glorious work. While the Association as a whole is greatly helpful to our Orphanage, the minutes show quite a large number that do not contribute a cent. Brethren this ought not so to be. Much as the Orphanage needs your help, you need the help of the Orphanage more. We cannot afford to lose the blessing of giving to this Christ like work. Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON, H. PORTRUM,
R. H. BOMAR, P. G. WALKER, J. G. RABURN, } Committee.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

It seems that North Carolina is being selected as a field for the teaching of false doctrines. Therefore it is important that our people be taught the pure and simple doctrine of Jesus Christ. As the prophet once cast salt into the impure waters and they were healed, so the Sunday School will place saving influences in the minds and hearts of our people. It is a sad and surpassingly strange fact that so many of our people and churches are indifferent to this important work. This indifference is seen from the fact that a number of our churches have no Sunday Schools at all, and others run only part of the year. We find from the church letters this year that there are only one-third as many Scholars in our Sunday Schools as there are members in our churches. Where are these professing Christians when the chursh meets for the study of God's word? The Sunday School takes hold of the children and trains them in those things which pertain to their salvation. It incites the church members to study of the Scriptures, and gives them wholesome work to do. How important it is then that every church has a Sunday School. The announcements for our Sunday School Association are out. Your committee recommends that our brethren use a great effort to make these a success.

J. M. WALKER, W. H. RUCKER, A. E. WILSON,
M L. HAYNES, JAMES TURNER, } Committee.

ECHOES FRCM THE CHURCHES.

Bethel—"Pray for us."

Bethlehem—Has enjoyed a revival. Is in good spiritual condition. Is praying for the proper man as pastor. Has a branch Sunday School.

Beulah—We have not had any series of meetings. Pray for us.

Big Level—Has a branch Sunday School.

Columbus—Brethren, pray for us.

Cooper's Gap—Asks the prayers of all Christians for a revival of religion in their midst.

Dysartsville—We have not had a case of discipline this year. Asks for the next session of this body. Request granted.

Green River—Requests a letter of dismission to join the Sandy Run Association. The letter was granted.

Green's Creek—Asks for the next meeting of the Association. They failed to get it.

Hall Town—Had a revival conducted by Rev. C. J. Shell and——Suttle.

Harmony Grove—Haynes (pastor) Harris and Sorrels conducted a meeting one week. 18 were added to the church by experience. The church was edified and revived.

Macedonia—We have our house almost finished. Has Sunday School and prayer meeting every Sunday. Pray for us.

Marion—We were without a pastor nearly seven months. We are carrying out the temperance resolution.

Montford's Cove—We are trying to enforce temperance in our church. We had a good meeting in August.

Mountain Creek—We had a good revival.

Mountain View—The pastor, assisted by W. B. Horton, conducted a good revival.

Old Fort—Had preaching one-third of the year. Have a Sunday School and prayer meeting. Pray for us.

Rutherfordton—On motion the church requests the Association to convene with her at its next meeting. Request not granted.

Walnut Grove—We have been blessed with 23 conversions this year.

Round Hill—Dear Brethren: We are hastening the completion of a school building to be owned and controlled by Round Hill Baptist church and we want this school to be endorsed and supported by the Green River Association. Our house is 32x60 feet, two story, and vestibule in front 15x32. In all there will be six rooms. Capacity of house about 300. Cost when completed about $1,000. Our object is to give boys and girls an education under religious influences, and to prepare them for Wake Forest, the Baptist Female University, or any college they may desire to enter. Our Board of Trustees have secured the services of Rev. D. J. Hunt, of our Association, as principal of said school, and we are here in your midst, and we hereby ask your hearty co-operation. If you have a few nickels to spare we would be glad to have them to help complete our house. But if you have not the nickles, you have boys and girls; we want them. The first session of our school will begin the 16th day of October. Please send us us your boys and girls at that time. We will take care of them.

J. D. MORRIS,
Secretary Board of Trustees.

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We the committee report the following names as members of the Associational Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, W. M. Whiteside, Chairman:

Bethel—A. B. Mashburn, Nealsville, N. C.
Bethlehem—N. C. Jones, Old Fort, "
Beulah—Joshua Pitman, Mills Spring, "
Big Level—Jerry Jackson, Poplar Grove, "
Bills Creek—I. E. Frady, Ayr, "
Bridgewater—W. P. Hemphill, Bridgewater, N. C.
Camp Creek—J. L. Barnes, Trio, "
Cane Creek—Joseph Laughter, Dinsdale, "
Chapel Hill—B. F. Corpening, Marion, "
Cherry Spring—Nelson Moffit, Old Fort, "
Chimney Rock—William Henderson, Chimney Rock, N. C.
Clear Crek—N. Buchanan, Garden City, "
Columbus—N. B. Hampton, Columbus, "
Cooper's Gap—J. Mills, Dinsdale, "
Dysartsville—W. H. Taylor, Dysartsville, "
Eureka—Geo. Whiteside, Uree, "
Green's Creek—J. E. Smith, Collinsville, "
Hall Town—Robert Hall, Marion, "
Harmony Grove—M. T. Pyatt, Nebo, "
Macedonia—Joseph Arrowood, Neallsville, "
Marion—Henry Huthstiner, Marion, "
Mills Spring—Andrew Boone, Mills Springs, "
Montford's Cove—L. D. Hemphill, Otter Creek, "
Mountian Creek—C. M. Lewis, Green Hill, "
Mountain View—Barney Jackson, Turner, "
Mount Vernon—A. E. Wilson, Rutherfordton, "
Old Fort—Alley Terrill, Old Fort, "
Piney Knob—M. L. Haynes, Nanito, "
Pleasant Grove—James Lattimore, Green Hill, "
Pleasant Hill—M. D. Hill, Rutherfordton, "
Rock Spring—H. M. Whiteside, Uree, "

Round Hill—J. D. Morris, Union Mills, "
Rutherfordton—J. H. Callahan, T. C. Smith, A. L. Grayson, W. T. Payseur, H. D. Harrill, C. B. Justice, Rutherfordton, N. C.
Silver Creek—C. C. Collins, Walker, "
Stone Mountain—Z. V. Hudgins, Jeter, "
Sunny Vale—J. P. Padgett, Garden City, "
Turkey Cove—R. P. Hollifield, Armstrong, "
Walnut Grove—J. H. Brown, Ashford, "
Whiteside Valley—B. Whiteside, Uree, "
Zion Hill—J. Caler, Marion, "

H. D. HARRILL, W. L. HANES, C. C. COLLINS, M. F. PYATT, } Committee.

ASSOCIATION COVENANT.

Article 1. We believe in one and only true God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost—and these are in one substance, and equal in power and glory.

Article 2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

Art. 3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Art. 4. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in, by his own free will and ability.

Art. 5 We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only through the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

Art. 6. We believe the saints shall persevere in grrce, and that they never shall finally fall away.

Art. 7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects thereof.

Art. 8. We believe that immersion is the only scriptural mode of baptism.

Art. 9. We believe that no person has a right to administer the ordinances but such as are regularly called and qualified thereto.

Art. 10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment; that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting, and the joys of the righteous eternal.

Art. 11. We the members of the Green River Baptist Association, agreeing to the above Articles of Faith, do, for and in behalf of the churches which we represent, covenant and agree, and give ourselves up to each other in church and Christian fellowship, in order to keep up the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace, and to assist each other in all matters of distress, and to pray for each other's prosperity.

CONSTITUTION.

This Association shall be known as the GREEN RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of Baptist churches whose articles of faith and constitution are in harmony with those of the Association.

Each church shall be allowed a representation of two delegates in addition to their regular ordained ministers, and every church of over fifty members shall be allowed one additional delegate for every fifty additional members.

The primary object of the Association shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College, to educate young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among people of the State; to support the gospel in the destitute portions of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the gospel to the nations that have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel; to encourage the organization and support of Baptist Sunday Schools, and to co-operate with the Southern Baptist Convention in all its departments of labor.

This Association shall meet annually on Thursday before the first Sabbath in October.

The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Association, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

The Moderator shall preside, or fill the chair' by calling some member of the body thereto, and enforce order in accordance with Mell's Parliamentiary Practice.

The Clerk shall record the proceedings, conduct the correspondence, and publish and distribute the minutes.

The treasurer shall receive all funds contributed by the churches or individuals to the objects of the Association, receipting the contributors for same, and forward all contributions to their proper destination and make a full report of all receipts and disbursements to the Association at its annual session, and on retiring from his office turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

There shall be appointed by the Association at each session a Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, consisting of one member from each church belonging to the Association and seven other brethren living in Rutherfordton or its immediate vicinity, five of whom shall constitutute a quorum, which, during the intervals between the meetings of the Association, shall have charge of the various interests and objects fostered by the Association, and shall encourage the churches to give liberally thereto; and shall make a full report of its work, including such suggestions relative thereto as it may think advisable, to the Association at its annual sessions

The President, or in case of his death or disqualification, any three members of the Board may call a meeting.

This constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representative voting in the affirmative.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Fix time of meeting and adjournment.
2. Call for messengers present without letters from their churches
3. Call for applications for membership in this body.
4. Appoint committees on Preaching and Finance.
5. Recognize in their official capacity, any present who may represent general denominational interests.
6. Call for correspondents, renewing the call at the opening of each morning session.
7. Appoint committees on State of Religion, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Sabbath Schools, Temperance, Educatiou, Orphanage, Deceased Ministers, Aged Ministers, Nominations State and Southern Conventions, Place and Introductory Sermon of next Session, Periodicals, etc., urging reports as soon as possible.
8. Call for reports of committees.
9. Ordered: That this Association, at this session, 1894, appoint a suitable man as Historian, whose business it shall be to collect such facts as he may be able to do, in reference to our church and associational history, and report the same annually, until the same shall have been completed.
10. Give an opportunity to present the claims of Foreign, Home, State Missions and Orphanage, with any other generol interest supported by this body.
11. Fix Time and Place of next meeting and appoint the introductory preacher, an alternate, also minister to preach the missionary sermon.
12. Appoint correspondents to other bodies.
13. Miscellaneous business.
14. Elect delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions.
15. Elect Board provided for in Constitution.
16. Arrange for printing, distributing Minutes and paying Clerk.
17. Adjourn.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

CHURCHES.	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Education.	Aged Mins.	Total.
Bethel	$ 13 50	$ 16 60	$ 5 35	$ 7 02	$ 2 02	$	$ 44 47
Bethlehem	9 50	6 00	1 30				16 80
Big Level	3 65	2 50	3 00	76			9 91
Beulah	41						41
Bills Creek	1 00	2 10	1 00				4 10
Bridgewater	12 00		13 60	8 87	10 00		44 47
Camp Creek	2 00	2 00	2 05	2 00	3 05		10 10
Cane Creek							
Chapel Hill	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00			5 00
Cherry Spring	1 00	2 10	1 15	1 61			5 86
Chimney Rock							
Clear Creek	6 37	5 00	12 00				23 37
Columbus	5 00	3 18	1 75				9 93
Cooper's Gap	50	60	50	70			2 30
Dysartsville	4 56	5 00					9 56
Eureka	5 00	10 00	2 75	1 00			18 75
Green River	1 00	2 00	1 47	25			4 72
Green's Creek	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00			6 00
Hall Town				1 01			1 01
Harmony Grove	2 25	5 10		4 55	50		12 40
Macedonia	3 00		1 00				4 00
Marion	18 00	10 00	5 50	9 00	1 00	1 00	44 50
Mills Spring	5 00	4 00	3 00			2 20	14 20
Montford's Cove	2 00	2 00	2 00				6 00
Mountain Creek	21 10	30 00	24 20	5 58			80 88
Mountain View	1 00	1 15					2 15
Mount Vernon	13 00	12 00	10 00	7 81	1 00		43 81
Old Fort	8 00	4 00	3 35	4 00			19 35
Piney Knob	2 00	2 00	1 58	2 17	1		8 75
Pleasant Grove	2 00	2 00	1 00	2 10			7 10
Pleasant Hill	4 34	10 79	2 35		1 00		18 48
Rock Spring	1 00	2 50					3 50
Round Hill,	15 00	16 70	10 00	4 85			46 55
Rutherfordton	90 00	100 00	101 59	39 70			332 29
Silver Creek	1 00	1 50		1 00			3 50
Stone Mountain	1 00	1 00		1 00			3 00
Sunny Vale							
Turkey Cove	2 00	1 00					3 00
Walnut Grove	1 00	4 00					5 00
Whiteside Valley	1 55	2 00	1 00	1 00			5 55
S. S. Association.	10 05						10 05
Saluda		6 00					6 00
Col. at Mt. V.	37 79			20 10			57 89
	$310 57	$277 82	$215 89	$128 08	$18 55	$ 3 20	$953 71
Also Big Level for Sunday School Misions,							63
Individuals for Baptist Female University,							20 00
							$974 34

We have examined receipts and find proper credits for amounts reported by the Treasurer. J H. CALLAHAN, T. C. SMITH, } Auditing Com'e.

Of the above amounts reported by the churches includes the collections made by the Women's Missionary Societies, the Sunday Schools and Sunbeam Societies. For these amounts see reports at proper place elsewhere in the minutes. Also includes $1.00 paid by Brother A. W Hogan from Bethel church. All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. L. GRAYSON, Treasurer.

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

CHURCHES.	S. of P.	PASTORS.	POSTOFFICES.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	POSTOFFICES
Bethel	2	H D Harrill	Forest City, N. C.	L A Raburn	Nealsville, N. C.	E G Goforth	Nealsville, N.
Bethlehem	1	W M Whiteside	Rutherfordton, "	A H Gilliam	Blalock, "	W S Parker	Blalock, "
Beulah	1	Elbert Jackson	Bright, "	R C Champion	Mills Spring "	R C Champion	Mills Spring, "
Big Level	4	A T Jones	Swain, S. C.	I M Ruppe	Bright, "	B I Wilson	Mills Spring, "
Bills Creek	1	H D Harrill	Forest City, N. C.	J C Frady	Uree, "	W M Flinn	Tiger, "
Bridgewater	2	R L Patton	Morganton, "	J C Price			
Camp Creek		J M Walker	Rutherfordton, "	T G. Johnson	Trio, "	T G Johnson	Trio, "
Cane Creek	2						
Chapel Hill	1	J C Sorrels	Garden City, "	Ben C Poteet	Marion, "	Ben T Corpening	Marion, "
Cherry Spring	4	J M Walker	Rutherfordton, "	J W Walker	Old Fort, "	Wm Silver	Teek, "
Chimney Rock							
Clear Creek	2	J C Sorrels	Garden City, "	W L Love	Garden City, "	N Buchanan	Garden City, "
Columbus	1	T B Justice	Rutherfordton, "	N B Hampton		J P Arlege,	
Cooper's Gap	4	A T Jones	Swain, S. C.	L C Gibbs	Turner, "	H K Corn,	Dinsdale "
Dysartsville	3	W M Whiteside	Rutherford'n, N.C.	J R Denton,	Dysartsville, "	W H Taylor	Dysartsville, "
Eureka	2	Z T Whiteside	Uree, "	A S Whiteside	Ayr, "		
Green River	4	H D Harrill	Forest City, "	Wm Hines	Collinsville "	T P Covington	Poors Ford, "
Green's Creek	3	T J Moss	Forest City, "	T M Walker	Collinsville "		
Hall Town	2	P I Shell	Linville City, "	I B Lewis	Marion, "	W H Wall	Marion, "
Harmony Grove	1 and 3	W L Haynes	Nanito, "	W S Freeman	Marion, "	G M Walton	Rocky Pass, "
Henry Station							
Macedonia	4	B B Harris	Dysartsville, "	J M Watkins	Nealsville, "	J A Gallion	
Marion	1 and 3	R L Patton	Morganton, "	B B Price	Marion, "	B B Price	Marion, "
Mills Spring	3	T B Justice	Rutherfordton, "	B G Jackson	Mills Spring "	O T Baynard	Mills Spring, "
Montford's Cove	2	T J Moss	Forest City, "	A T Morgan	Otter Creek, "	J W Morgan	Otter Creek. "
Mountain Creek	3	W M Whiteside	Rutherfordton, "	A P Rucker	Darlington, "	R P Geer,	Gilkey, "
Mountain View	3	Elbert Jackson	Bright, "	B P Jackson	Bright, "	L B Jackson	Walker, "
Mount Vernon	2	G M Webb	Shelby, "	M L Wilson,	Logan's Store, "	R G Freeman	Myrtle' "
Old Fort	4	R L Patton	Morganton, "	W A M Gibson	Old Fort, "	B T Owens	Old Fort, "
Piney Knob	2	Z D Harrill	Ellenboro, "	J T Bland	Nanito, "	W L Bland	Nanito, "
Pleasant Grove	4	T J Moss	Forest City, "	R Ledbetter	Ayr, "	R M McEntire,	Green Hill "
Pleasant Hill	2	W M Whiteside	Rutherfordton, "	L B Logan	Rutherfordton, "	C C Lovelace	Mack, "
Rock Spring	3	A T Jones	Swain, S. C.	M H Whiteside	Uree, "	H M Whiteside	Poplar Grove "
Round Hill	1	C B Justice	Rutherford'n, N.C.	J P Morris	Union Mills, "	A P Sorrels	Gilkey, "
Rutherfordton	2 and 4	C B Justice	Rutherfordton, "	T C Smith	Rutherfordton, "	T C Smith	Rutherfordton, "
Silver Creek	1	W B Horton	Berry, "	E W Constant	Walker, "	A E Jones	Mira, "
Stone Mountain	2	Elbert Jackson	Bright, "	C M Nanny	Stone Mount'n, "	A W Hudgins	Stone Mount'n. "
Sunny Vale							
Turkey Cove	4	J C Sorrels	Garden City, "	J J Hollifield	Armstrong, "		
Walnut Grove	2	J C Sorrels	Garden City, "	J H Brown	Ashford, "	J H McLimore	Ashford, "
Whiteside Vall		I M Walker	Rutherfordton, "	J R Whiteside	Chimney Rock, "	S J Collins	Uree, "
Zion Hill							

Statistical and Financial Table.

CHURCHES.	Baptized.	Rec. by Let	Restored.	Dis. by Let.	Excluded.	Died.	Male.	Female.	Total.	SUNDAY SCHOOL. Offi. & Tch.	Scholars.	Vols. in Lib.	Papers tak'n	School Ex.	FINANCIAL STATISTICS. Pastor's Sal.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Min'e Fund.	Other Obj'ts and Repairs.	Total.
Bethel	19	8		10	7	9	91	155	246	8	30				$ 80 00	$ 13 00	$ 2 00	$ 1 25	$	$ 96 25
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Chimney Rock, Henry Station, Sunny Vale and Zion Hill not represented.

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OFFICERS:

M. M. LANDRUM, MODERATOR,.....Fingerville, S. C.
ALBERT L. GRAYSON, TREASURER,.....Rutherfordton, N. C.
ALONZO P. SORRELS, CLERK,.....Gilkey, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS:

Elder J R Denton.....Dysartsville, McDowell county, N. C.
Elder M C Elliott,.....Rocky Pass, McDowell county, N C
Elder J F Haney,.....Old Fort, McDowell county, N C
Elder B B Harris.....Dysartsville, McDowell county, N C
Elder W L Haynes,.....Green Hill, Rutherford county, N C
Elder M A Harvey,.....Old Fort, McDowell county, N C
Elder Elbert Jackson,.....Turner, Polk county, N C
Elder C B Justice,.....Rutherfordton, Rutherford county, N C
Elder T B Justice,.....Rutherfordton, Rutherford county, N C
Elder M M Landrum.....Fingerville, Spartanburg county, S C
Elder W H Logan,.....Ayr, Rutherford county, N C
Elder A B Mashburn,.....Nealsville, McDowell county, N C
Elder J I Moffit,.....Stone Mountain, McDowell county, N C
Eler E L Taylor,.....Rutherfordton, Rutherford county, N C
Elder J M Walker,.....Rutherfordton, Rutherford county, N C
Elder W M Whiteside,.....Rutherfordton, Rutherford county, N C
Elder Z T Whiteside,.....Uree, Rutherford county, N C

LICENTIATES:

J M Taylor,.....Rutherfordton, Rutherford county, N C
M F Pyatt,.....Bridgewater, McDowell county, N C
George Gibson,.....Nebo, McDowell county, N C

PROCEEDINGS.

DYSARTSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH,

McDowell Co., N. C., Oct. 4, 1900.

The sixtieth annual session of the Green River Baptist Association convened at 11, a. m., today. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. D. J. Hunt from Psalms 126:5. "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy."

Recess one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

M. M. Landrum read 2 Cor. 13. Prayer by T. B. Justice.

J. R. Denton read Temperance resolution adopted at Bethel, 1890.

T. B. Justice and A. Johnson read letters from churches, and delegates were enrolled as follows:

Bethel—Rev A B Mashburn, A W Hogan, W C Morris, W I Robison, C B Morris, J P Crawford.
Bethlehem—A W Gilliam, W S Parker, J F Turner.
Big Level—L P Gilbert, Otis L Wilson.
Beulah—Letter.
Bill's Creek—P C Shitle, P L Frady, T L Flinn.
Bridgewater—P P Price, J C Price, Wm P Hemphill.
Camp Creek—J L Barnes, T W Early, B Biggerstaff.
Cane Creek—Letter.
Chapel Hill—Ben F Corpening, M A Poteet.
Cherry Springs—J B Coxe, James Gilliam, W H Gilliam.
Chimney Rock—Not Represented.
Clear Creek—N Sparks, W E Bird.
Columbus—Letter.
Cooper's Gap—H K Corn, Wm Bradley, B P Gibbs.
Dysartsville—W H Taylor, L G Price, R L Daves, W S Walker, Rev J R Denton.
Eureka—G W Whiteside.
Green's Creek—D H Howser.
Hall Town—J B Lewis, W H Wall.
Harmony Grove—A E Rowe, Wm Holland, Marion Simmons.
Henry Station—Not Represented.
Mascedonia—B E Watkins, C W Sprouce.
Marion—B B Price.
Mills' Spring—J A Rucker.
Monsford's Cove—S R Hall, E W Hall, Ed Harris.
Mountain Creek—A E Flack, J H Flack, E W Edwards, A P Rucker.

Mountain View—H H Jackson, N C Birges.

Mt. Vernon—W N S Rollins, J E Wilson, J R Scoggin, Ed Erwin.

Old Fort—Letter.

Piney Knob—J B Elliott, W L Bland.

Pleasant Grove—G B Milton, R Ledbetter, O A Lynch, Rev W L Haynes.

Pleasant Hill—Rev W M Whiteside, Rev J M Walker, C C Lovelace, T C Hill, G B Logan.

Rock Spring—Robert Whiteside, Barzilla Ledbetter.

Round Hill—L L Deck, L W Livingston, A P Nanny, W S Freeman, Rev D J Hunt, A P Sorrels.

Rutherfordton—Rev C B Justice, Dr M M Landrum, Rev T B Justice, A L Grayson.

Silver Creek—J R Williams.

Stone Mountan—Not Represented.

Sunny Vale—Not Represented.

Turkey Cove—W A Buchanan.

Walnut Grove—J H Brown.

Whiteside Valley—James R Whiteside, S G Freeman.

Zion Hill—E Buchanan, F E Ledbetter. Number delegates 89.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

By motion the clerk was authorized to cast the ballot of the body for Dr. M. M. Landrum, Moderator.

By motion T. B. Justice was authorized to cast the ballot of the body for A. P. Sorrels, Clerk; and A. L. Grayson, Treasurer.

Time of meeting and adjournment of last year made permanent, viz: Meet at 9:30, a. m., adjourn at 12, m., meet at 1, p. m., adjourn at pleasure.

Application for membership in this body: Received Tryon church from the Spartanburg Association, with Joseph Page delegate.

Welcomed J. E. White, Corresponding Secretary of State Board of Missions; J. C. Caddell, of the Biblical Recorder; J. W. Cobb, of the North Carolina Baptist; A. Johnson, of the Orphanage.

Appointed the pastor and deacons of Dysartsville church committee on preaching.

The Moderator announced the chairman of the committees on the objects of the Association.

Prayer by J. W. Cobb. Adjourned.

SECOND DAY, OCT. 5.—Morning Session.

Religious exercises conducted by W. L. Haynes.

Called to order by the Moderator. Read and adopted record of yesterday. Postponed roll call till to-morrow.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

State Missions—A P Sorrels, A W Gilliam, W H Taylor, J E Wilson, J A Rucker.

Home Missions—T B Justice, A E Flack, P P Price, N Sparks, J H Brown.

Foreign Missions—D J Hunt, J B Scoggins, J B Elliott, J R Williams, B F Corpening.

Orphanage—A Johnson, L L Deck, R L Daves, S R Hall, R Ledbetter.

Deceased Ministers—B B Price, E Buchanan, G B Milton, W E Byrd, W I Robinson.

Aged Ministers—L W Livingston, C B Morris, D H Howser, E W Edwards, O A Lynch.

Nominations State and Southern Baptist Conventions—W L Haynes, T E Walker, J B Lewis, A P Nanney, W P Hemphill.

Place and Introductory—Jas L Barnes, Barzilla Ledbetter, Otis Wilson, S L Flinn.

Periodicals—J C Caddell, W S Freeman, M A Poteet, William Bradley, T W Early.

Sabbath Schools—W M Whiteside, W H Gilliam, G W Whiteside, W N S Rollins, Joseph Page.

Temperance—C B Justice, C C Lovelace, P C Shitle, J L Barnes, T C Hill.

Education—J M Walker, J R Denton, W L Bland, L W Livingston, B Biggerstaff.

Associational Board of Missions and Sunday School—W C Morris, T L Frady, W S Parker, J B Coxey.

Spiritual Condition of Churches—T B Justice, Marion Simmons, G. B Logan, John Ross, Ed Harris.

T. B. Justice read report on Home Missions for committee.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Great things for God, and by Him, have been done through the instrumentality of the Home Mission Board. The amount of money contributed by Southern Baptists, and entrusted to this Board to be expended for the extension of Christ's Kingdom on earth, would startle you, if the aggregate for the past ten years was before you. We only know a little, the Master understands all of the results of this effort to glorify His name. Its object has been to open new fields, strengthen weak places, and bring light into darkness.

The territory included in its field covers the Southern States, as included in the Southern Baptist Convention, Indian Territory, Oklahoma and the Island of Cuba.

The frontier work, among a constantly changing and greatly demoralized population, rests with this board.

The responsibility of the work in Cuba, with its present peculiar conditions, is under its management. It aids in a co-operative way, thirteen State Boards in Gospel work and in Education. Especially in the mountain sections is the work of education aided and fostered.

During the year preceding our last State Convention, North Carolina was aided in preaching the Gospel in its destitute fields, and establishing associational schools to an amount exceeding one half of all our contributions to the Home Mission Boad, including cash and boxes. We learn with great pleasure that the contributions for the current year are increasing in proportion to the extended work.

The time is at hand, to, not only let people hear, but to educate them to understand the truth.

God has greatly blessed our efforts, and each accomplishment reveals to us new and greater opportunities.

Nations are rushing with men and money to scenes of battle ready to give life and property for couquest and territory. Let us, the commissioned soldiers of the cross, be readier still to give men and means, that the Kingdom of God may extend its limits, the shackles of sin be loosed and error's chain be broken, by the truth and the power of Him who said, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. T B JUSTICE, for Committee.

W. M. Whiteside read report on Home Missions for Board of Missions.

HOME MISSIONS.

The story of the Home Mission Board will never be told on earth. The work of this Board is that of a frontier guard. They meet the foreigner as he lands on our shores with his superstitious ideas of the Bible, and by so doing they bring him directly under the influence of the Bible. We can not imagine what the results would be to all of our denominational work, if this host of foreign population was not restrained by the Home Missionaries.

Again, this Board has in Texas, Oklahoma Territory and Indian Territory, a frontier boundry about 1000 miles in length and 500 miles wide. So we can see that the work of the Home Board is that of a frontier army. Not only is this so but they are also striving to aid the Southern Baptists in supplying the mountain regions. They are also aiding the co-operative work among the negroes. There are 671 missionaries working under the direction of this Board. 25 in Cuba, 4 in Maryland and 3 in Missouri, supported entirely by it. The remaining 639 supported in part by the State Boards of Ala., Fla., Ga., Indian Territory, Ky., La., Md., Mo., Miss., N. C., O. Ter., Tex., Tenn, and Va. During the past year these missionaries have baptized 5696, built 71 houses of worship, organized 639 Sunday Schools, distributed 18,412 Testaments and Bibles. Last year the W. M. S. contributed to this work $18,114.13 in cash and annuity gifts, and $27,089.64 inboxes. Entire amount received $79,366.68 and $4000 on which a small annuity is paid.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

This has been an exciting year in the history of the Foreign Mission Board. While hundreds of missionaries and native christians have been killed, the Lord has graciously preserved the lives of all our missionaries. More baptisms have been reported on the foreign field than any previous year. In obedience to the voice of the Southern Bapsist Convention the Board has already sent out a number of new missionaries. While the Lord is opening to us such golden opportunities we should increase our efforts in the work. It seems to be the united opinion of the missionaries in China that when quiet is again restored there that every barrier against the Gospel will have been broken down. To-day North Carolina has eleven of her sons and daughters hid away in China, viz : G. W. Green and wife who have just returned to us on account of the latters health, Miss A. M. Green, Rev J C Owens, Rev E F Tatum, Rev R T Bryant and wife, Miss Lottie W Price, Rev T C Britton and wife, Rev W E Crocker. Since these are willing to undergo the danger and endure the hardships let us remember them in prayer and contribution. Since the last State Convention, we have given in the State $7,664.21. The Green River Association having contributed over $225 of that amount.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The work of the Sunday School Board has been one grand success. No wiser step has ever been taken by our people than this one. This Board deserves the hearty co-operation of every church in its efforts to plant and equip a Sunday School in every church. The Suuday School work of the Green River Association this year has been somewhat sad. The general work of the Association has not had the sympathy and co-operation of the pastors as it should have had. Yet the Sunday School Association has planned even greater things than ever before in its history. It is our desire to hold a Sunday Schol Institute in every church throughout our bounds. The brethren have been asked to volunteer to hold these meetings. The

work must begin at once, so every pastor or brother who will volunteer to hold one or more of these meetings will please give us his name at once. Our people must have the Bible, and the Sunday School is one of our best means of reaching people.

Remarks by T. B. Justice and J. C. Caddell.

Reports adopted.

A. P. Sorrels for committee and W. M. Whiteside for board, read reports on State Missions.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Let our motto be, "North Carolina for Jesus!" This means the preaching of the Gospel in every nook and corner of our State. The State Board of Missions was organized to have this done. This Board with J E White, corresponding secretary, have ministers working in the bounds of the State.

Many of us know comparatively nothing of the destitution. We are prone to think that it is overstated. Some are inclined to believe because some wealthy people live in these destitute fields they (not we) should support the man who preaches to them.

As our missionary, J C Sorrels, has been called home, and some of the field on which he labored is still in need of help, we recommend that a conmpetent man be put on the field where he labored.

A P SORRELS,
W H TAYLOR, } Committtee.
J E WILSON,

REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSSIONS.

Sixtieth annual report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools of the Green River Association,

As we look back over the past year, filled with wars and rumors of war, persecuting and killing of missionaries and political animosity, and note how, amid it all, God has preserved our missionaries and so highly blessed our efforts at home and abroad, our hearts swell with gratitude unto Him for thus bestowing upon us such wondrous love.

STATE MISSIONS.

The day has been when Baptist cause was looked upon by states. In that day the inquiry was, "how many states have no preacher, no church, no Sunday school?" As we look back in history of the Southern States one hundred years ago, we see, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri and Texas all silent so far as Baptist history is concerned, true enough a part of this territory, was controlled by other powers. Now there is not a Southern State with less than fifty-nine churches and 10,272 members. So the question is no more asked how many States, but how many counties have no preacher, no church, no Sunday schools? A marvelous work has been accomplished in the last hundred years. North Carolina has increased her number of churches from 97 to 1,161, membership from 7,523 to 165,601, and yet after this marvelous growth there are still four counties without a single Baptist preacher, and 10 counties with only one each. The day has come when we must no longer seek to give our people the Bible by states or counties, but by settlements. The command is to every creature. We do not believe that North Carolina Baptist are going to be satisfied until every creature has the Gospel preached unto him.

Our noble leader, John E White, has recently given us a glimpse of our State Mission work and of the plans for its accomplishment.

1. He tells us of the destitution in Eastern North Carolina, and asks the State Mission Board be enabled next year to spend at least $1200 in addition to what it is now spending there.

2. He seeks to lay upon our hearts the great factory problem. The number of mills and operatives are rapidly increasing, and of necessity we must increase our force, or we are going to lose the people who now belong to us. For this department of the work, the Board desires $2000 next year in addition to what they are spending this year.

3. In Western North Carolina the field is inviting. The people are already Baptists, and it remains for us to educate and train them for God, or leave the noble work for others to do, which means that we are going to lose from the Baptist ranks the rising generation.

So the Board only asks us for $25000 next year. This means only 15 cents for each Baptist in the State, and $611.85 for the Green River Association. Brethren, last year we only made an average of 7 cents per member. This year we have given over $225.23 or 5 cents per member. Next year we can do more. What will we do? God is leading will we follow?

We feel that too much could not be said of the work accomplished by this Board in our Association through the late Rev J C Sorrels. For more than eight years he has been faithfully serving the State Mission Board in the Green River Association. His death was so sudden that we failed to get any report from him this year. Now, that he is with us no more, who is to take his place? Surely the work so nobly begun will not be allowed to suffer now. May the Lord guide us in filling his place.

Speech by J. E. White. Collection $8.62.

Pledges from churches taken. Reports adopted.

Welcomed C. D. Davis and J C. Gillespie.

Recess one hour.

Afternoon Session.

Prayer by J C. Gillespie.

A. Johnson read report on Orphanage.

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

The number of children under the care of the Orphanage is now about 190. The work is in excellent condition and the outlook before the Institution is exceedingly hopeful. Since the last meeting of the Association a Nursery building has been added, which is the most convenient as well as the most tasteful dormitory building yet erected. Extensive improvements are making on the "Biggs building" which will greatly facilitate the work and enable the doors to open to at least ten more girls. The supreme need of the Orphanage is more room to care for the children clamoring for admittance. We hope other buildings will soon be erected which will supply this need.

The Mills Memorial machine shop is in process of erection and we hope it will be entirely completed within the year. At least a thousand dollars must be forwarded to the treasurer in order to finish it. We commend this object to the liberality of the brethren.

We are glad to report the numbers of Sunday Schools giving a monthly collection to the Orphanage rapidly growing. We would urge this plan upon every Sunday School in the Association. It will prove a greater blessing to the schools than to the Orphanage.

The rigid economy in the management of the Institution is still maintained. A little less than $5 per month covers all the cost of

caring for one orphan. No other institution of its class within our knowledge equals our own Orphanage in the economy with which it is conducted.

Charity and Children, the organ of the Institution, has reached a circulation of seven thousand and is paying a good dividend to the Institution. Every dollar of profit the paper makes goes directly in to the treasury.

The needs of the Institution were never greater than they are now; the work that is being done was never more satisfactory, the future was never so glowing. Let us rally to it and give it our prayers and our sympathy crystalized into coin.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
S R HALL,
R LEDBETTER,
L L DECK,
R L DAVES,
} Committee.

Speeches by A. Johnson, C. B. Justice.

Collection 18.03. Endorsed the report.

Report on Periodicals was read by J. C. Caddell.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The necessity for the members of our churches, to read our literature and be informed concerning the objects of our denomination was never so apparent as now.

The knowledge our people possess, concerning the work we have in hand, will to a great extent be the measure of their zeal in its success, as well as, the measure of the contributions they will make. Believing this your committee would urge Baptist people to take and read all the good literature possible.

We especially urge that every one where it is possible to do so, to take the Biblical Recorder, the organ of North Carolina Baptists, and which for sixty-seven years has been a factor in the moulding of our denominational polity, a powerful agent in the development of Baptist interest in North Carolina.

We also recommend The North Carolina Baptist as worthy of a place in every Baptist home in our State. "Charity and Children" is the organ of our Orphanage, and is filling its sphere of work exceptionally well. The low price of the paper and the easy terms offered ought to put a club of subscribers in every Sunday School in the bounds of the Green River Association.

The Home Field, and the Foreign Mission Journal are the special mediums through which we learn of our Home and Foreign mission work. Their cheapness, as well as, the real value of these papers ought to put them in every Baptist home.

Remarks by J. C. Caddell, A. Johnson, J. W. Cobb, C. B. Justice, T. B. Justice.

Report adopted. Adjourned.

Sermon at 7:30, p. m., by J. E. White.

THIRD DAY, OCT. 6.—Morning Session.

Religious exercises by J. C. Gillespie.

Called to order by the Moderator. Called roll and marked those not present. Read and adopted record of yesterday.

Read and adopted report on nominations.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

We, the committee, nominate J M Walker, Dr M M Landrum. T B Justice, A P Sorrels, D J Hunt, W M Whiteside, J C Price, W H Taylor, A L Grayson, Z T Whiteside delegates to the State Convention; and C B Justice delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Granted a letter of dismission to Green's Creek church.

Report on Education was read by J. M. Walker.

REPORT OF EDUCATION.

The two great objects in life should be the cultivation of the mind and of the soul. The education that fails to do this is not what it should be. And we contend that this can only be done under strictly christian influences. Thefore christian education should have our supreme love and devotion. In State schools we have all kinds of "isms" and many claim that the Bible is a sectarian book, therefore it should not be taught there. We, as Baptist people, should give our influence to Baptist schools, because it is only in them that the fundamental doctrines of the Bible can be taught in perfect freedom. We are truly proud of the high position among their sister institutions that our Baptist schools for the higher education of our boys and girls have won for themselves.

We therefore recommend Wake Forest and the Baptist Female University as institutions where the Bible receives marked attention. Our religious papers and our colleges are sources of great strength and unestimable value to our denomination and also to the world. As helps in the great work we would mention the Oxford Seminary and the Choan Female Institute. Nor would we fail to recognize the great work done by the Academies under Baptist control, of which there are 49 in this State. Round Hill in our own bounds is to be mentioned in this number. This Association has long been want to establish an Associational School and we hope that this may become the school of this Association.

These academies are only stepping stones from our public schools to our colleges and universities, therefore we, as Baptist, should give our time and money to the support of these schools. The Lord has given us the common people of North Carolina and the public schools are the schools of the common people. We believe that the special appropriation of the legislature of 1899 was due largely to Baptist influence. We should not rest contented until our State shall be placed higher in the scales of public education.

Moses and Paul were trained leaders, and our convention recognizes the necessity of our leaders being trained. Therefore it gives its encouragent to ministerial education. But this Association has not caught enough of the convention's spirit. Last year we only gave $22.50, not as much as fifty cents per church. This is not as it should be.

JOHN M WALKER,
J R DENTON,
W L BLAND,
L W LIVINGSTON,
B BIGGERSTAFF,
} Committee.

Speeches by J. M. Walker, J. R. Denton, C. B. Justice. Report adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by D. J. Hunt.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Foreign Missions, as they are called, had their origin in the benevolence of God. From the beginning, before the morning stars sang together, and before the mountains were brought forth, God foresaw the fall of man, and planned for his salvation. That plan, made in eternity, was first manifested when Jesus came and died for the sins of the world. It took a more definite shape when the all powerful Christ commanded his disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, promising "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." Pentecost witnessed the first great victory of this gospel and became the prophecy of its future conquest. Thus it is seen that missions are of divine origin and purpose, and no man can oppose them without fighting against God, nor neglect them without ignoring Jehovah. Modern Foreign Missions as we know them are an hundred years old. The prophets used by the Almighty to awaken his sleeping church and to discover to them his will concerning the world, were Baptists. Cary, Ward, Marshman, Judson and Yates were God's gifts to humanity. Upon the Baptist missionaries God has bestowed his blessings as he has done upon no other laborers. In both Americas, in Europe, in Asia and in Africa he has blessed their word and work.

STATISTICS.

	No. Churches.	Out Stations.	Baptisms.	Members.	Contributions.
CHINA,	23	36	597	2289	$2107 01
AFRICA,	6	6	56	385	643 24
ITALY,	24	20	72	624	823 00
MEXICO,	32	39	175	1232	865 00
BRAZIL,	27	45	431	1922	2601 00
JAPAN	1	9	10	75	55 00
Grand Total	113	155	1341	6537	$7094 98

Besides the Missionaries mentioned we have, in these different fields, 104 native helpers. The Board paid to the Missionaries last year $109,595.00.

The fields are white to the harvest and constantly enlarging. The great hand of God constantly beckons us onward and outward. He says to us daily, "who will go for me and whom shall I send". Many of the pick and flower of our young men and young women are saying "here am I, send me". Sixteen have been sent out this year. Our Owen has buried himself in dark China, whether those sent out and whether others be sent depends on your loyalty and liberality and devotion to Him who loved you and gave himself for you.

D J HUNT,
J B ELLIOTT,
J R SCOGGINS,
J R WILLIAMS,
} Committee.

Remarks by D. J. Hunt, A. Johnson.

Adopted the report. Pledges taken.

Recess one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by H. D. Harrill.

Report on Sunday Schools read by W. M. Whiteside.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We note the progress of the Sunday School work in the State with profound interest. This is now known to be one of the greatest factors in the development of our churches. While this fact is favorably recognized by all our churches, yet in a great many of them the work has hardly begun. The admitting of this truth should drive us to actual work.

1. There should be more prayer and sincerity in the organization of our schools. In order to succeed a Sunday School must be well organized. Every officer should know his duty, and should be encouraged to faithfulness in the discharge of it.

2. Our teaching, in a large measure, has been meager. This is to be deplored. Oh, Our teaching should be of such a nature as to inspire the pupil, as to cause him to have a burning desire for the Sunday School room. To be an officer in the Sunday School means work or failure. Let us look at the worth or our cause and be encouraged to work.

3. Our Sunday School cause in the Green River Association is seriously suffering because of a lack of interest and co-operation on the part of the pastors. Unless we can secure the help of the pastors the general Sunday School work of our Association must die. We mean our Sunday School Associations. As our dear Bro. Johnson has truthfully said our people will go as far as they are lead. It is utterly useless for us as pastors to declare ourselves in favor of the Sunday School work and not prove it by our devotion and fidelity to it. We want to recommend,

1. That every pastor take this work afresh upon his heart and not rest contented until his church or churches has a well organized school in harmony with our general work.

2. We want to recommend the plan of work adopted by our general Association and ask as many pastors and lay brethren as will, to give us their volunteer services so that we can proceed at once with this noble work.

3. We want to recommend that all our schools purchase their Sunday School supplies through our Baptist book store at Raleigh.

W M WHITESIDE,
W H GILLIAM,
W N S ROLLINS,
JOSEPH PAGE,
G W WHITESIDE,
} Committee.

Remarks by W. M. Whiteside, J. R. Denton.

Rev. J. C. Gillespie preached in Trinity Methodist church at 2, p. m.

T. B. Justice read report on spiritual condition of churches.

SPIRITUAL CONDITION OF CHURCHES.

"By their works ye shall know them." I can not give you an idea of what people are in a better way than by giving you results. From the letters we gather that during this year there have been 224 baptisms against 202 last year. 143 additions by letter against 115 last year. 13 exclusions against 56 last year. 37 deaths against 71 last year. Five churches are not represented. There are 83 dele-

gates present. Treasurer's report shows $913.68 against $953.21 last year. These figures altogether indicate an advancement, but the spirituality of churches is not what it ought to be. If, instead of one revival service in the year, each church and each member could stand upon a principle of consecration to God every day and week and month, the reports would not require calculation to see whether we were going forward or backward.

Maybe our sermons are not as spiritual as they should be, and maybe the lay membership do not relish spiritual preaching as they should. Let us all examine into these things.

T. B. JUSTICE, for Com.

Speeches by T. B. Justice and J. R. Denton.

Report on place and introductory was read by W. L. Haynes.

PLACE AND INTRODUCTORY.

We, your committee on place and introductory, advise the Association to meet with the church at Cherry Springs, five miles Southwest of Old Fort, Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1901, also that Rev. T. B. Justice preach the introductory sermon, W. M. Whiteside, alternate.

Report adopted.

C. B. Justice read report on Temperance.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Temperance is declared in Gal. 5:22 to be one of the fruits of the Spirit, i. e. one of the fruits borne by the Spirit of God, and is therefore just the opposite of intemperance the father of drunkenness, one of the fruits of the flesh as taught in Gal. 5:21. No man ever becomes a drunkard by living and walking in the Spirit, but by fulfilling the lusts of the flesh.

Intemperance may truly be said to be the great curse of the country, of the world, and also of the churches. Nothing equals it as a demoralizing power, unfitting men for all the duties of citizenship, and disqualifying them for membership in the churches of Jesus Christ, and for citizenship in Heaven; for it is said, 1 Cor. 6.10, that the drunkard shall not inherit the kingdom of heaven.

While intemperance is a sin, it is equally true that all that contribute to its growth and perpetuation is sin. "Woe unto him that putteth his bottle to his neighbor's mouth." Equally forceful is the teaching of Exo. 21:28-29. "If an ox gore a man or woman that they die, then the ox shall be surely stoned, and his flesh shall not be eaten, but the owner of the ox shall be quit. But if the ox were want to push with his horn in time past, and it hath been testified to his owner and he hath not kept him in, but he hath killed a man or a woman, the ox shall be stoned and the owner put to death."

C B JUSTICE,
P C SHITTLE,
C C LOVELACE,
T C HILL,
} Committee.

C. B. Justice and W. M. Whiteside made speeches in favor of report. Report was adopted.

L. W. Livingston read the report on aged ministers' relief.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF.

The object of this Board is to have funds given by our churches for the support of our old preachers, who are no longer able to make a living by active work in the ministry, and who have no means of

support left them in their declining years. Last year we raised $1535.39 for this work, and aided sixteen of our aged brethren, and those dependent upon them. Of the amount collected only two-thirds is expended—one-third being invested, only the interest of which can be used.

The Lord has inclined the hearts of our people to the valiant, but now disabled soldiers. Every Association in the State are now contributing to this cause, and many of them are ready to enlarge their contributions to this cause should the demand of the Lord require it. At present no increase is needed and we will ask our churches for the same amount contributed last year.

L W LIVINGSTON,
D H HOWSER,
E W EDWARDS,
O A LYNCH,
C B MORRIS,
} Committee.

Adopted this report.

Read and adopted report on board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, the committee, report the following names as members of the Associational Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, W. M. Whiteside, Chairman:

Bethel—A B Mashburn.....Nealsville, N. C.
Bethlehem—N C Jones.....Old Fort, "
Beulah—Joshua Pitman.....Mills Spring, "
Big Level—Jerry Jackson.....Poplar Grove, "
Bill's Creek—I E Frady.....Ayr, "
Bridgewater—W P Hemphill.....Bridgewater, "
Camp Creek—J L Barnes.....Trio, "
Cane Creek—Joseph Laughter.....Dinsdale, "
Chapel Hill—B F Corpening.....Marion, "
Cherry Spring—Nelson Moffit.....Old Fort, "
Chimney Rock—Wm. Henderson.....Chimney Rock, "
Clear Creek—N Buchanan.....Garden City, "
Columbus—N B Hampton.....Columbus, "
Cooper's Gap—J Mills.....Dinsdale, "
Dysartsville—W H Taylor.....Dysartsville, "
Eureka—George Whiteside.....Uree, "
Green's Creek—J E Smith.....Collinsville, "
Hall Town—Robert Hall.....Marion, "
Harmony Grove—M T Pyatt.....Nebo, "
Macedonia—Joseph Arrowood.....Nealsville, "
Marion—B B Price.....Marion, "
Mills Spring—Andrew Boone.....Mills Spring, "
Monford's Cove—L D Hemphill.....Otter Creek, "
Mountain Creek—C M Lewis.....Green Hill, "
Mountain View—Barney Jackson.....Turner, "
Mount Vernon—A E Wilson.....Rutherfordton, "
Old Fort—Alley Terrill.....Old Fort, "
Piney Knob—M L Haynes.....Nanito, "
Pleasant Grove—James Lattimore.....Green Hill, "
Pleasant Hill—M D Hill.....Rutherfordton, "
Rock Spring—H M Whiteside.....Uree, "
Round Hill—J D Morris.....Union Mills, "
Rutherfordton—J H Callahan, T C Smith, A L Grayson, W. T Payseur, C B Justice.....Rutherfordton, "
Silver Creek—C C Collins.....Walker, "
Stone Mountain—Z V Hudgins.....Jeter. "
Sunny Vale—J P Padgett.....Garden City, "

Turkey Cove—R P Hollifield.....Armstrong, "
Walnut Grove—J H Brown.....Ashford, "
Whiteside Valley—B Whiteside.....Uree, "
Zion Hill—J Caler.....Marion, "

W C MORRIS, W S PARKER, } Committee.

Read and adopted Treasurer's report.

TREASURER'S CONDENSED REPORT.

The undersigned Treasurer of Green River Association reports the following amounts received from the close of the last session to opening of the present session:

State Missions	$219 21
Foreign Missions	213 17
Home Missions	123 73
Orphanage	62 92
Orphanage Mills Memorial	66 67
Ministerial Education	8 00
Baptist University	2 00
Aged Ministers' Relief	2 00
Total	$697 70

With request for usual auditing committee to pass on report when completed. Respectfully submitted.

A L GRAYSON, Treasurer.

SATURDAY, NOON—TO DATE, REC'D

State Missions	$285 50
Foreign Missions	255 88
Home Missions	159 62
Orphanage	112 01
Orphanage Memorial	80 67
Ministerial Education	12 00
Aged Ministers	6 00
Baptist University	2 00
	$913 68

Adopted the report of the finance committee.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We have received from the churches $32.42. We recommend that the Clerk be allowed $7.00 for his services, and that he furnish church letters and have minutes printed with balance of the money.

We request the churches to increase their contributions for the minute fund. Respectfully submitted.

A L GRAYSON, J C PRICE, A P RUCKER, } Committee.

Read a paper from Round Hill church, presenting the Baptist school at that place to the Association. By a unanimous vote it was received and a committee appointed to nominate a board of trustees, one from each church and report to-morrow morning.

To the Green River Association:

We, the Baptist Church at Round Hill, feeling the great need of higher christian education, and to afford better opportunities to our boys and girls, we have secured ground and nearly completed the first story of our building. We have paid about $650.00 into the house and now owe about $250.00. We need about $200.00 yet to

complete our house. The first term of our school opened Oct. 30th, 1899 and closed May 25th, 1900. Enrollment 122, and was a success, meeting the expectation of its friends. The second term opened Sept. 24, with bright prospects. We have a Young Ladies' Home with fourteen rooms which will be completed within one week,

Believing that our greatest success can be achieved through the Green River Association, and feeling that the time has come for us to tender it to the Green River Association, we do hereby tender said school building with about two acres of land to said Association together with the right of way to the spring, to be owned and controlled by the Association, so long as it keeps and maintains a school. Whenever the Association fails to provide a school then said building and land shall revert to the Round Hill Baptist church.

By order of the church.

J P NANNEY,
A P NANNEY, } Delegates.
D J HUNT,

Resolved, That B. B. Price, T. B. Justice and W. M. Whiteside be appointed a committee to report to this body to-morrow morning the names of one brother from each church comprising this Association to be appointed a Board of Trustees of the Baptist Academy at Round Hill, and also recommend such other rules and regulations as they may deem necessary for the government of the same.

C. B. JUSTICE.

A resolution of thanks to Round Hill church for said school was adopted.

Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt thanks to the church at Round Hill for this magnifficent gift. W. M. WHITESIDE.

Fourth Day, Oct. 7.

Called to order by the Moderator.

B. B. Price read report on deceased ministers. Also a paper concerning the death of Rev. J. C. Sorrels.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DECEASED MINISTERS.

It is with sadness your committee reports the death of the much loved and lamented Rev. J. C. Sorrels, which occurred at his home on the 26th day of Sept., 1900. For about twelve years he gave his time, energy and heart to mission work in Blue Ridge Mountains of McDowell county, during which time he built several new houses and established as many churches in destitute places, besides preaching at various places where there were no churches, and baptized more people during his ministry than any minister in the Association. He was an humble, earnest, and thoroughly consecrated soldier of the cross, who, ever with a smile, and sweet christian spirit, went about doing good, having no desire otherwise than to glorify God and save sinners, and eternity alone will reveal the good he has done. He died a triumphant and happy death. He will ever live in the minds and hearts of our people. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord * * * that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

B B PRICE,
A L GRAYSON,
E BUCHANAN,
M I ROBERTS, } Committee.
Wm BIRD,
G R MILTON,

Interesting talks of five minutes length were made by the brethren in memory of the beloved brother.

After spending one hour in this service W. M. Whiteside read report of committee on nominations of board of trustees for Round Hill Academy which was adopted.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR ROUND HILL ACADEMY.

Thomas Morris, Bethel; A W Gilliam, Bethlehem; T M Ruppe, Big Level; John F Logan, Bill's Creek; James Barnes, Camp Creek; Ben T Copening, Chapel Hill; Rev. Croom, Cherry Springs; N Buchanan, Clear Creek; John Aldridge, Columbus; B P Gibbs, Cooper's Gap; George Taylor, Dysartsville; Z T Whiteside, Eureka; John M Walls, Hall Town; A E Rowe, Harmony Grove; Beelow Watkins and Jake Gallion, Macedonia; B L Ashworth, and B B Price, Marion; James Rucker, Mills Spring; J D Hemphill, Monford's Cove; A P Rucker, Mountain Creek; Elija Morgan, Mt. Vernon; Elbert Jackson, Mountain View; John S Bradley, Old Fort; William Bland Piney Knob; Richard Ledbetter, Pleasant Grove; W M Whiteside, Pleasant Hill; H M Whiteside, Rock Spring; J W Nanney, Round Hill; C B Justice, Rutherfordton; H P Arledge, Silver Creek; J I Moffit and S B Grant, Stone Mountain; R P Hollifield and A W Buchanan, Turkey Cove; J Brown, Walnut Grove; S J Collins, Whiteside Valley; J B Page, Tryon; E Buchanan, Zion Hill; J D Price, Bridgewater.

We further recommend that the Present Board of Trustees be continued as an executive committee until the next meeting of the Association. The board of trustees consists of the following brethren: M B Flack, Chairman; J D Morris, C B Justice, J W Nanney and G M Keeter.

The deed, according to the proposition of Round Hill church, be executed by the church to the foregoing board of trustees and that the same board be instructed to provide at as early a day as possible for a teacher in Biblical instruction and Mission, and with the correspondent of the Home Mission Board of the S. B. C. with a view to securing their co-operation in the support of said teacher.

B B PRICE,
W M WHITESIDE,
T B JUSTICE,
} Committee.

Adopted resolution of thanks to the Dysartsville people for their abundant and continued hospitality; also to the Methodist and Presbyterian brethren for their houses of worship during the meetings of the Association in which there were preaching, and the meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society.

At this hour, 11 a. m., Dr. M. M. Landrum preached in the Baptist church, C. B. Justice preached in the Methodist church and D. J. Hunt preached in the Presbyterian church.

May we all be guided by the Spirit, and may we work faithfully till we meet at Cherry Springs in 1901.

A. P. SORRELS, CLERK. M. M. LANDRUM, MODERATOR.

Pledges.

	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.
Bethel	$25 00	$10 00	$25 00	$ 5 00
Bethlehem	6 00	3 00	6 00	4 00
Beulah				
Big Level	1 00	3 00	2 00	1 00
Bill's Creek	1 00	1 50	1 00	1 00
Bridgewater	20 00	10 00	5 00	5 00
Camp Creek	3 00	3 00	4 00	3 00
Cane Creek				
Chapel Hill	1 50	2 00	2 50	1 50
Cherry Spring	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 00
Chimney Rock				
Clear Creek	10 00	5 00	10 00	5 00
Columbus		2 00		
Cooper's Gap	1 00	1 00	1 50	2 50
Dysartsville	7 00	4 00	6 00	5 00
Eureka	5 00	1 00	2 50	2 50
Hall Town	1 00	1 00		1 00
Harmony Grove	1 00	1 00		2 00
Henry Station				
Macedonia	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Marion	10 00	5 00	15 00	10 00
Mill Spring		2 00	5 00	
Monford's Cove	2 50	3 00	3 50	2 00
Mountain Creek	30 00	20 00	30 00	10 00
Mountain View	1 50	1 00	1 00	1 50
Mt. Vernon	15 00	5 00	10 00	5 00
Old Fort	8 00	5 00	5 00	4 00
Piney Knob	2 00	1 00	2 00	2 00
Pleasant Grove	3 00	3 00	3 00	2 00
Pleasant Hill	6 00	5 00	10 00	5 00
Rock Spring	1 00	1 00		1 00
Round Hill	18 00	18 00	18 00	6 00
Rutherfordton	100 00	50 00	105 00	40 00
Silver Creek	1 00	1 00	1 50	1 00
Stone Mountain		1 00		1 00
Sunny Vale				
Tryon	1 00	2 50	3 00	1 50
Turkey Cove	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Walnut Grove		2 00		
Whiteside Valley	2 00	1 50	2 00	1 50
Zion Hill	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00

PLEDGES TO DEBT ON HOME OF J. C. SORRELLS.

Turkey Cove	$ 5 00	Jennie Landes	50
Bridgewater	5 00	J W Price	1 00
Marion	5 00	Mrs. Landrum	2 00
Clear Creek	5 00	Miss McCurry	50
Dysartsville	5 00	D H Whitner	1 00
D J Hunt	10 00	A D Taylor	1 00
W M Whiteside	12 00	P P Price	1 00
J M Walker	4 00	C B Morris	1 00
T B Justice	5 00	Thomas Morris	1 00
C B Justice	25 00	M J Walker	50
L M Simmons	1 00	J W Walker	50
W L Haynes	4 00	J E Wilson	1 00
J O Waters	1 00		
Mrs. Howard	1 00	Total	$100 00
John Price	1 00		

A Resolution.

In the 15th Chap. of Acts we find that there arose a difficulty among the churches concerning circumcision. In order that the churches might not be disturbed the Disciples and Elders in general meeting at Jerusalem, gave forth letters declaring their position on the subject of circumcision. Now, as there are those among us who teach that a man must be instantly sanctified both soul and body before they can be saved, therefore be it

Resolved, That we, in general assembly, do here declare that we do not believe that the body can be perfectly free from sin in this life but that it is a growth finished in death, and furthermore that each church keep an eye on her ministerial membership less they should become false teachers as did some who went forth from Jerusalem.

Since it rests upon Jerusalem to correct this heresy, so it rests upon the church of to-day. W. M. WHITESIDE.

Echoes from the Churches.

Bethlehem—We enjoy God's blessings in peace and quietude, and have a prayer meeting on one Saturday in each month.

Cane Creek—We have had no revival meeting this year but hope for one in the near future.

Chapel Hill—Our intention is to complete our house very soon.

Bulah—Pray for us.

Cherry Springs—We earnestly ask the next session of the Association to meet with us at Cherry Springs. [Request granted.]

Columbus—We have had gracious revival meetings. We are just undertaking some expensive necessary church improvement.

Dysartsville—Thirteen days' meeting by C D Davis, W L Haynes and pastor W M Whiteside. We are carrying out the Temperance resolution and are not willing to fellowship any church that is not carrying it out.

Hall Town—We have not had our revival meeting and have not finished our house. [Pray and work. Clerk.]

Harmony Grove—We thank the Lord that he has enabled us to build a good church house. All praise to His holy name.

Marion—We have no pastor. Hence our small contribution.

[Why not call a pastor? Clerk.]

Montford's Cove—Sunday School raised $2.18 on church pledges, Woman's Missionary Society raised for State Missions $4.86, Foreign Missions $2.38, Christmas offering $5.43, Sunday Schools $2.00, Home Missions $2.07, Native work in China $2.00. Total $18.74.

Mountain View—A glorious revival.

Mt. Vernon—W. M. S.—Foreign Missions $4, State Missions $4, Home Missions $4. Total $12.

Piney Knob—We are endeavoring to carry out the temperance resolution.

Pleasant Hill—We shall ever more endeavor to carry out the temperance resolution.

Round Hill—We want the next session of your beloved body to meet with our church. [But fail to get what we want. Clerk.]

Rutherfordton—W. M. S.—State Missions $15.37, Foreign Missions $19.54, Home Missions $12.29, Home Mission Box $53.00. Total $100.20.

ASSOCIATION COVENANT.

Article 1. We believe in one and only true God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost—and these are in one substance, and equal in power and glory.

Art. 2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

Art. 3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Art. 4. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in, by his own free will and ability.

Art. 5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only through the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

Art. 6. We believe the saint shall persevere in grace, and that they never shall finally fall away.

Art. 7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects thereof.

Art. 8. We believe that immersion is the only scriptural mode of baptism.

Art. 9. We believe that no person has a right to administer the ordinances but such as are regularly called and qualified thereto.

Art. 10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment; that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting, and the joys of the righteous eternal.

Art. 11. We the members of Green River Baptist Association, agreeing to the above Articles of Faith, do, for and in behalf of the churches we represent, covenant and agree, and give ourselves up to each other in church and Christian fellowship, in order to keep up the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace, and to assist each other in all matters of distress, and pray for each other's prosperity.

CONSTITUTION.

This Association shall be known as the GREEN RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of Baptist churches whose articles of faith and constitution are in harmony with those of the Association.

Each church shall be allowed a representation of two delegates in addition to their regular ordained ministers, and every church of over fifty members shall be allowed one additional delegate for every fifty additional members

The primary object of the Association shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College, educate young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among people of the State; to support the gospel in the destitute portions of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the gospel to nations that have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel; to encourage the organization and support of Baptist Sunday Schools; and to co-operate with the Southern Baptist Convention in all its departments of labor.

This Association shall meet annually on Thursday before the first Sabbath in October.

The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Association, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

The Moderator shall preside, or fill the chair, by calling some member of the body thereto, and enforce order in accordance with Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

The Clerk shall record the proceeding, conduct the correspondence, and publish and distribute the minutes.

The Treasurer shall receive all funds contributed by the churches or individuals to the objects of the Association, receipting the contributor for same, and forward all contributions to their proper destination and make a full report of all receipts and disbursements to the Association at its annual session, and on retiring from his office turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

There shall be appointed by the Association at each session a Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, consisting of one member from each church belonging to the Association and seven other brethren living in Rutherfordton or its immediate vicinity, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, which, during the intervals between the meetings of the Association shall have charge of the various interests and objects fostered by the Association, and shall encourage the churches to give liberally thereto; and shall make a full report of its work, including such suggestions relative thereto as it may think advisable, to the Association at its annual sessions.

The President, or in case of his death or disqualification, any three members of the Board may call a meeting.

This constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives voting in the affirmative.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Fix time of meeting and adjournment.
2. Call for messengers present without letters from their churches.
3. Call for application for membership in this body.
4. Appoint committees on preaching and finance.
5. Recognize in their official capacity, any present who may represent general denominational interests.
6. Call for correspondents, renewing the call at the opening of each morning session.
7. Appoint committees on state of Religion, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Sabbath Schools, Temperance, Education, Orphanage, Deceased Ministers, Aged Ministers, Nominations State and Southern Conventions, Place and Introdurctory Sermon of next session, Periodicals, etc., urging reports as soon as possible.
8. Call for reports of committees.
9. Ordered: That this Association, at this session, 1894, appoint a suitable man as Historian, whose business it shall be to collect such facts as he may be able to do, in reference to our church and associational history, and report the same annually, until the same shall have been completed.
10. Give an opportunity to present the claims of Foreign, Home, State Missions and Orphanage, with any other general interest supported by this body.
11. Fix Time and Place of next meeting and appoint introductory preacher, an alternate, also minister to preach the missionary sermon.
12. Appoint correspondents to other bodies.
13. Miscellaneous business.
14. Elect delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions.
15. Elect Board provided for in Constitution.
16. Arrange for printing, distributing Minutes and paying Clerk.
17. Adjourn.

REPORT OF ANNUAL MEETING OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Green River Association met in annual meeting in the Presbyterian church at Dysartsville,on Saturday, October 6th, 1900.

After singing hymn "What a friend we have in Jesus," Mrs. J. A. Grayson read the sixty-seventh and second Psalms, and led in prayer. Mrs. B. B. Price was then chosen President of the meeting and Mrs. J. A. Grayson Secretary.

The roll was then called, and the following delegates enrolled:

Bethel—Mrs. E J Morris.
Camp Creek—
Clear Creek—
Dysartsville—Miss S F McCurry, Mrs. L M McCurry.
Marion—Mrs. B B Price.
Montford's Cove—Letter.
Mountain Creek—Mrs. M C Rucker.
Mt. Vernon—Mrs. J G Logan, Miss Mattie Walker.
Old Fort—
Round Hill—Miss Oela Flack.
Rutherfordton—Mrs. J A. Grayson.
Pleasant Hill—Mrs. C E Whiteside, Miss Dora Hill.

A letter of greeting from Miss Heck, State President of W. Missionary Union, was read by Mrs. B. B. Price. The reports of the societies were then called for, and the following contributions were reported:

	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Orphanage.	S. S. Board.	Boxes.
Bethel,	$3 52	$5 06	$5 01	$1 00		
Dysartsville,	1 55	1 20	1 50			
Marion	5 60	1 45	12 20			
Monford's Cove	9 56	2 07	4 86		$2 00	
Mt. Vernon	4 00	4 00	4 00			
Round Hill	13 20	8 00	9 70			
Rutherfordton	19 54	12 29	15 37			$53 00
Rutherfordton Sunbeams	4 35	5 01	3 89			
Pleasant Hill	5 93	1 45	2 35	11 16		23 65

Mrs. J. A. Grayson then presented the request of Miss Heck, that this Union try to raise at least forty dollars extra for Foreign Missions next year, to support a native worker on a foreign field. The societies agreed to try to do this, and the following sums were pledged by each society:

Bethel	$3 00	Mt. Vernon	2 00
Dysartsville	2 00	Round Hill	6 00
Marion	6 00	Rutherfordton	11 00
Monford's Cove	2 00	Pleasant Hill	5 00
Mountain Creek	3 00	Mrs. F. G. Howard, gave	25

The subject of each society holding a closing century meeting was then brought up by Mrs. J. A. Grayson, and all were earnestly urged to hold one, during the next two months. The primary object in holding these meetings is to arouse more missionary interest among the present members and to try to get other ladies to join the society. The secondary is to organize other societies where none now

exist. Each society is urged to organize at least one new one.

The Orphanage at Thomasville was then discussed and the delegates promised to use their utmost efforts to induce the Sunday Schools of their respective churches, to take monthly collections for that institution. The Union then adjourned to meet at Cherry Springs in 1901.

MRS. B. B. PRICE, President.

MRS. J. A. GRAYSON, Secretary.

NAMES OF SOCIETIES, THEIR OFFICERS AND POSTOFFICES.

	Presidents.	Secretaries.	Post Offices.
Bethel—	Miss Mary Grayson,	Miss Callie Goforth,	Nealsville,
Dysartsville—	Mrs M J Walker,	Mrs J R Denton,	Dysartsville,
Marion—	Mrs J Y Morgan,	Mrs M J Dellinger,	Marion,
Monford's Cove—	Mrs M Justice,	Mrs Sallie Hampton,	Otter Creek,
Mountain Creek—	Mrs J D Whiteside,	Miss Mattie Keeler,	Gilky,
Mt Vernon—	Miss Anna Wilson,	Miss Mattie Walker,	Rutherfordton,
Round Hill—	Mrs D J Hunt,	Miss Oela Flack,	Union Mills,
Rutherfordton—	Mrs M L Justice,	Mrs J A Grayson,	Rutherfordton,
Pleasant Hill—	Mrs M J Griswold,	Miss Dora Hill,	Rutherfordton.

OBITUARY OF REV. J. C. SORRELS.

The undersigned were requested by the moderator of this Association to write a short sketch of the life of Rev. J. C. SORRELS and report it to the present session.

JESSE C. SORRELS was born in Rutherford county, North Carolina, September 5th, 1843. At the age of about 14 years he united with the Baptist church at Mountain Creek. He served in the 50th North Carolina Regiment during the war. Soon after the close of the war in 1865, he married a daughter of deacon J. T. Lewis of Mountain Creek church. His wife and six children survive him. He was ordained a minister of the Gospel, November 19th, 1886. For many years he was in the employ of the North Carolina Baptist State Mission board in Western North Carolina.

He died Sept. 26th, 1900.

These are mere statistics, but involved in them are the life and labors and triumphant death of one of the best of men. The written Biography of men may be without meaning and often the obituary had better be buried in the grave with the dead. Unless a man leaves a heritage of good deeds and right living, an attempt to write a history of his life would be as hard as to preach his funeral.

Our brother Sorrels lived a life full of charity and sunshine. Naturally he was a loving and lovable man. If you ask how was his christianity evidenced? We would say, by the life he lived. We hardly know what doctrine he adhered to, beyond the fundamental doctrine of Christ's atonement, but we do know that his life bore the fruits of the Spirit. The gospel that he preached was a spirit of humanity and not a cold formal system of doctrine. He was clear headed, but his chief attraction was a warm heart. He entered the ministry late in life, but he had not been idle before his call. He was always an active christian, and from the time he preached his first sermon his life was given up to "preaching the gospel to the poor." Bro. Sorrels was a modest man. He had no aspirations but to do good. In his own quiet and modest way he had great influence over men. If he persuaded a man to quit evil habits it was in a way to make him feel that there was no desire to glory over winning a soul, but just to win a soul for the Master. In all our acquaintance with him we never knew him to wound the felings of another. His was not the spirit to preach of doom, but to offer the love of God as manifested in Calvary. In all his life as he lived it, and in all his teachings the grace of charity was the controlling influence that prompted his heart. The work that was assigned him was to preach the gospel in mountains of his native State and to build churches, and no missionary ever met with greater success. He was peculiarly gifted to persuade men. He never quarrelled but went cheerfully about his work and taught the people that the way of wisdom was a way of pleasantness and peace. He had unwavering faith in God's promises, and in his own personal interest in the atonement, and it is a matter of no surprise that his last words were, "I shall soon be in Heaven." No one who knew brother Sorrels ever had the slightest doubt of his sincerity. With all his ardor of love and service, he had decided opinions and asserted them when necessary, but never in an offensive manner.

He died in the vigor of manhood and in the very prime of his usefulness. Why he was called at this time we cannot tell now, but we shall know hereafter. It is enough for us to know that a pure life of ceaseless service has ended and that a good man has been called from his work to his reward.

B. B. PRICE,
M. H. JUSTICE, } Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Orphanage.	Mills Memorial.	Ministerial Education.	Aged Ministers.	Baptist University.	Totals.
Bethel	$15 00	$20 00	$7 21	$5 95	$14 02	$2 00			$64 18
Bethlehem	6 00	5 00	2 30	5 02					18 32
Big Level	1 00	1 00	1 00	80					3 80
Beulah	1 75								1 75
Bill's Creek	1 00	73	1 00	1 00					3 73
Bridgewater	5 00	5 00	5 00		10 00				25 00
Camp Creek	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00					12 00
Cane Creek			1 00	1 38					2 38
Chapel Hill	2 05	6 10	3 25	2 05					13 45
Cherry Spring	3 51	1 00	1 00						5 51
Clear Creek	10 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	5 00				32 00
Cooper's Gap	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00					4 00
Dysartsville	5 16	4 44	1 95	4 00					15 55
Eureka	10 00	5 00	2 50	2 50					20 00
Green's Creek	2 83		1 83	1 82					6 48
Hall Town	60			1 50					2 10
Harmony Grove	2 71		1 25	2 00					5 96
Macedonia	1 00								1 00
Marion	12 35	3 00	1 00		6 25		1 00		23 60
Mills Spring	6 50								6 50
Monford's Cove	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 00					9 00
Mountain Creek	25 87	28 95	6 13	7 00	4 00	2 00			73 95
Mountain View	1 00	50	1 00	1 50					4 00
Mount Vernon	14 48	10 00	10 15	1 10	3 90	2 00			41 63
Old Fort	8 00	3 50	3 50	5 00	5 00				25 00
Piney Knob	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 50					6 50
Pleasant Grove	2 11	4 20		3 13					9 44
Pleasant Hill	8 46	19 73	1 45	2 55					32 19
Rock Spring		2 00							2 00
Round Hill	17 50	10 85	7 55	5 00	12 50	1 00			54 40
Rutherfordton	100 00	100 00	87 60	21 50	20 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	338 10
Silver Creek	1 00	1 08		1 75			1 25		5 08
Walnut Grove	1 00	1 00							2 00
Whiteside Valley	2 00	2 00	1 25	2 49					7 74
Saluda		2 80							2 80
Rock Creek S S				2 30					2 30
S S Convention				4 14					4 14
Asso. Collections,	16 90			18 03					34 93
Totals	293 78	255 88	160 92	113 01	80 67	12 00	4 25	2 00	922 51

We have examined report of A L Grayson, Treasurer of Green River Association, who reports nine hundred and twenty-two dollars and fifty-one cents ($922.51), and we find proper receipts for said amounts as reported.

T C SMITH,
W O WATKINS, } Auditing Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted. A L GRAYSON, Treas.

NOTE—For amounts raised by Woman's Mission Societies, Sunbeam Societies and Sunday Schools, see proper reports elsewhere in the minutes.

Stone Mountain church sent in $2.50 for Missions after above report was made out. A balance from Bridgewater will also come in too late for this report.

Statistical Table.

	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Totals
Bethel	11	4	3	10	....	5	97	155	252
Bethlehem	20	2	.....	2	4	2	51	77	128
Beulah	.....	.....	1	1	....	....	10	15	25
Big Level	.....	.....	1	2	....	1	29	61	90
Bill's Creek	9	.....	4	2	5	3	48	130	178
Bridgewater	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	12	15	27
Cane Creek	.....	.....	.....	6	5	4	25	62	87
Camp Creek	2	1	.....	3	1	2	25	60	85
Chapel Hill	.....	2	.....	2	2	....	16	27	43
Cherry Spring	12	24	.....	2	....	....	43	61	104
Clear Creek	2	14	.....	.....	....	1	26	47	73
Columbus	7	2	2	10	1	2	42	65	107
Cooper's Gap	.....	1	1	.....	3	1	51	72	123
Dysartsville	18	2	3	4	1	1	69	116	185
Eureka	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	5	9	14
Green's Creek	4	1	1	2	1	....	45	82	127
Hall Town	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	7	16	23
Harmony Grove	10	2	.....	4	7	....	70	69	139
Macedonia	11	.....	1	1	....	....	38	54	92
Marion	.....	2	2	.....	....	1	17	39	56
Mills Spring	8	6	1	3	....	....	53	81	134
Monford's Cove	14	9	.....	10	5	1	77	137	214
Mountain Creek	12	5	.....	10	....	2	121	155	276
Mountain View	10	5	.....	.....	1	4	25	36	61
Mount Vernon	5	6	.....	10	7	2	128	198	326
Old Fort	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	24	37	61
Piney Knob	6	9	.....	.....	....	....	28	50	78
Pleasant Grove	15	2	.....	5	....	1	51	80	131
Pleasant Hill	4	6	1	2	1	2	82	93	175
Rock Spring	....	.....	.....	2	....	2	18	36	54
Round Hill	37	10	.....	4	....	2	98	157	255
Rutherfordton	1	15	.....	17	1	4	73	103	176
Silver Creek	.....	.....	.....	4	4	....	45	70	115
Walnut Grove	1	.....	.....	.....	....	1	4	12	16
Whiteside Valley	.....	1	1	6	1	....	16	27	43
Zion Hill	5	8	.....	.....	....	....	10	17	27
Totals	210	139	21	124	51	45	1579	2521	4100

Statistical Table.

	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage.	Education.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS. Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Papers Taken.	School Expenses.	Baptized.
Bethel	$15 00	$5 00	$20 00	$14 00	$2 00	8	35	1	$	
Bethlehem,	6 00	5 00	2 75	5 02		7	95	77	5 00	15
Beulah										
Bill's Creek	1 00	1 00		1 73						
Bridgewater	20 00	15 00	15 00		10 00					
Camp Creek	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00						
Cane Creek		1 00		1 00		10	100	110	7 78	
Chapel Hill	2 05	3 25	6 10		2 05	8	66	74	7 72	
Beulah	1 75					5	30	16	75	
Big Level	1 00	1 00	1 00	80						
Cherry Spring	3 51	1 00	1 00			6	60	60	5 00	6
Clear Creek	10 00	5 00	10 00	8 00		9	91	70	25 05	2
Columbus	11 08	4 65	1 68		1 00	5	40	40	7 80	2
Cooper's Gap	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		8	30	22	1 85	
Dysartsville	7 00	2 85	4 99	4 00		5	75	175	3 50	
Eureka	10 00	2 50	5 00	2 50						
Hall Town	60			1 50		2	23	32	3 80	
Harmony Grove	2 71	1 25		2 00		7	63	170	4 00	4
Macedonia		1 00								
Marion	12 35	1 00	3 00	34 75		5	65	87		
Mill Spring	6 50		5 00		1 50	4	25		5 00	5
Monford's Cove	3 00	2 00	2 08	2 00		12	72	230	15 43	
Mountain Creek	30 00	20 00	31 20	7 00	2 00	7	120	90	6 00	11
Mountain View	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		7	47	32	2 50	
Mt. Vernon	12 00	10 1	10 00		2 00	15	125	250	5 00	
Old Fort	8 00	3 5	3 50	5 00		10	50		36 60	
Piney Knob	2 00	1 00	2 00	1 50		5	50	25	2 00	
Pleasant Grove	2 11		5 57			5	80	144		
Pleasant Hill	6 02	24 05	19 43	13 71		7	80	203	5 00	3
Rock Spring			2 00							
Round Hill	20 00	15 00	20 00	17 50	1 00	9	93	105	12 00	15
Rutherfordton	100 00	87 00	100 00	41 50	2 00	10	120	18	22 72	1
Silver Creek	1 00		1 08			3	30			
Walnut Grove	4 00									
Whiteside Valley	2 00	1 25	2 00	1 50		9	33	45	4 23	
Zion Hill						4	30	35	2 80	
Total	305 68	219 45	279 38	170 01	23 55	192	1728	2112	190 53	64

NOTE.—Marion reports 92 Volumns in library; Whiteside Valley 2.

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS, SUPERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICES

CHURCHES.	T of P	PASTORS.	POSTOFFICES.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICES.	SUPERINTEND'S	POSTOFFICES.
Bethel	3	C B Justice	Rutherfordton, N C	L A Raburn	Nealsville, N C	A B Mashburn	Nealsville, N C
Bethlehem	1	D J Hunt	Union Mills, "	A W Gilliam	Blalock, "	W S Parker	Blalock, "
Beulah	4	W B Horton	Berry, S C	O L Pitman	Landrum, S C	R P Pitman	Mills Spring, "
Big Level	4	A T Jones	Obed, "	T M Ruppe	Bright, N C	N T Mills	Pea Ridge, "
Bill's Creek	1	H D Harrill	Forest City, N C	J C Frady			
Camp Creek	2	J M Walker	Rutherfordton, "	B Biggerstaff			
Cane Creek	4	W L Haynes	Nanito, "	M A Searcy	Uree, "	J M Gibbs	Dimsdale, "
Chapel Hill	2	D J Hunt	Union Mills, "	B C Poteet	Marion, "	M A Poteet	Marion, "
Cherry Spring	4	J M Walker	Rutherfordton, "	J W Walker	Teck, "	D L Robertson	Old Fort, "
Clear Creek	2			W D Long	Garden City "	N Buchanan	Garden City, "
Columbus	1	T B Justice	Rutherfordton, "	N B Hampton	Columbus, "	J P Arledge	Columbus, "
Cooper's Gap	3	A T Jones	Swain, S C	L C Gibbs	Turner, "	J A Mills	Dimsdale, "
Dysartsville	1	W M Whiteside	Rutherfordton, N C	J R Denton	Dysartsville, "	W H Taylor	Dysartsville, "
Eureka	2	Z T Whiteside	Uree, "	A S Whiteside	Ayr, "		
Hall Town	3	P J Shell	Gibbs, "	J B Lewis	Marion, "	W H Wall	Marion, "
Harmony Grove	1	W L Haynes	Nanito, "	G M Walton	Rocky Pass, "	M Simmons	Nebo, "
Macedonia	4	B B Harris	Demming, "	J M Watkins	Demming, "		
Marion				B B Price	Marion, "	B B Price	Marion, "
Mills Spring		T B Justice	Rutherfordton, N C	J J Lambright	Mill Spring, "		
Monford's Cove	2	T J Mosss	Forest City, "	A F Morgan	Otter Creek "	J W Morgan	Otter Creek, "
Mountain Creek	3	W M Whiteside	Mack, "	A P Rucker	Darlington. "	M B Flack	Cuba, "
Mountain View	4	E Jackson	Bright, "	B P Jackson	Bright, "	N C Burgess	Dimsdale, "
Mount Vernon	2	G M Webb	Shelby, "	M L Wilson	Logan Store, "	J G Logan	Itom, "
Old Fort	4	T C King	Swannanoa, "	J M Pendergrass	Old Fort, "	W A M Gibson	Old Fort, "
Piney Knob	2	Z D Harrill	Ellenboro, "	J T Bland	Nanito, "	W L Bland	Nanito, "
Pleasant Grove	4	T J Moss	Forest City, "	R Ledbetter	Ayr, "	G B Milton	Green Hill, "
Pleasant Hill	2 and 4	W M Whiteside	Mack, "	C B Logan	Rutherfordton, "	J L Hodge	Mack, "
Rock Spring	4	A T Jones	Swain, S C	M H Whiteside	Uree, "		
Round Hill	1	C B Justice	Rutherfordton, N C	A H Nanney	Cuba, "	A P Sorrels, D J Hunt,	Union Mills, "
Rutherfordton	2 and 4	C B Justice	Rutherfordton, "	T C Smith	Rutherfordton, "	T C Smith	Rutherfordton, "
Silver Creek	1	W B Horton	Berry, S C	C W Constance	Walkers, "	A E Jones	Mira, "
Walnut Grove	3			J H Brown	Ashford, "		
Whiteside Valley	3	W S Huntly	Bear Wallow, N C	J R Whiteside	Chimney Rock, "	S J Collins	Uree, "
Zion Hill	3	E Buchanan	Sibony, "	W A Buchanan	Sibony "	E Buchanan	Sibony, "

Financial Table.

	Minute Fund.	Repairs.	Other Objects.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.
Bethel	$ 1 42			$100 00	$33 50	
Bethlehem	1 25			50 00		
Beulah	25		$5 15	10 00		
Big Level	70			40 00		
Bill's Creek	80		8 00	40 00		
Bridgewater	60			15 00		
Camp Creek	75		12 00	44 00		
Cane Creek	30		4 80	14 45	60 00	$1 37
Chapel Hill	60			31 00		
Cherry Spring			9 00			
Clear Creek	1 15	$3 50		30 00		
Columbus	90		34 75	100 00		
Cooper's Gap	50			30 85		
Dysartsville	85	8 00	45 00	60 00	22 00	
Eureka	15			14 00		
Green's Creek				50 00		
Hall Town				25 00		
Harmony Grove	55			50 00		
Macedonia			1 15	15 71		4 70
Marion	50		33 00		20 00	
Mill Spring	1 20			100 00	16 00	
Monford's Cove	1 20			75 00	15 00	
Mountain Creek	3 40			100 00	2 00	5 00
Mountain View	50			17 35	2 35	
Mt. Vernon	1 10	5 00	110 42	85 00		
Old Fort	1 00			110 00	10 00	
Piney Knob	95			40 00	2 50	
Pleasant Grove	75	10 00	52 50	75 00	5 25	6 00
Pleasant Hill	1 85		63 50	90 00	1 50	31 00
Rock Spring				30 00		
Round Hill	1 40	20 00	960 00	60 00		8 90
Rutherfordton	2 00	20 00		200 00	30 00	
Silver Creek	1 20					
Walnut Grove	25			11 20		75
Whiteside Valley	55			11 20		3 00
Zion Hill			3 81	13 80		
Total	28 62	66 50	1243 03	1638 66	221 00	60 72

Green River Baptist Sunday School Association.

PLEASANT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH,
Rutherford County, N. C., July 27th, 1900.

The fourth annual session of the Green River Baptist Sunday School Association met at 11 o'clock to-day. Rev. J. M. Walker being absent, the Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. E. Buchanan.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The convention was called to order by N. Buchanan. The roll of churches was called and delegates enrolled as follows:

Clear Creek—G W Sorrels and T C Patton.
Cane Creek—E H Haynes, Eddy Harris and Carrie Laughter.
Zion Hill—E Buchanan.
Cherry Springs—S V Robertson.
Pleasant Grove—R Ledbetter M K Lynch and W H McEntire.
Piney Knob—M C Blanton, J D Bland.
Irving's S. S.—Wm Rucker.
Rock Creek S. S—Z V Hudgins, O E Hudgins, E W Hill and W S Hall.

Letters read by A P Sorrels.

All members of Baptist churches present were considered as members of this Association.

Entered into the election of officers, and the following were elected: N Buchanan, Moderator; G W Sorrels, Clerk.

After being fully organized the program was taken up.

First Query, "The Teacher and his Work," was ably discussed by G B Milton, E Buchanan, I P Sorrels, A P Sorrels, J D Bland, Z V Hudgins and N Buchanan.

A committee on religious exercises was appointed consisting of the Deacons of this church. Dismissed by N. Buchanan.

SATURDAY—Morning Session.

Met at 9:30 o'clock. Devotional exercises conducted by S V Robertson. Read Mat. 19, 1-30. Prayer by E Buchanan. After devotional exercises the convention entered into the regular business of the Association.

Called for delegates and the following were enrolled: Mountain Creek—Z V Geer, E W Edwards and J F Whiteside. Round Hill—I P Sorrels and A P Sorrels. Monford's Cove—D S Harris and A R Queen. Whiteside Valley—Jas R Whiteside and Guilford Nanney.

The minutes of preceding day was read, amended and approved.

On motion the Moderator appointed a committee to draft answers to the questions discussed, viz: A P Sorrels, M K Lynch and R Ledbetter.

Took up the second query on the program, "The Superintendent and Pastor." Very interesting speeches were made by G B Milton, A P Sorrels, M S Haynes, E Buchanan, Z V Hudgins, N Buchanan, S V Robertson, J M Walker and M B Flack.

Recess one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the chairman and resumed the discussion of "The Superintendend and Pastor" J. D. Bland.

Called for representatives, and J M Walker of Pleasant Hill, J W

Biddy, J G Corn and B P Gibbs of Cooper's Gap were enrolled. Letters were read by A P Sorrels.

By motion the third querry was postponed until Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. The fourth was also postponed.

The fifth querry was taken up: "How Shall we Ever Train the Individual Membership of our Churches?" Opened by R P Geer, followed by S V Robertson and M B Flack. Song by Z V Hudgins. Discussion continued by E Buchanan and A P Sorrels. This question being thoroughly discussed, the Association then took up the next: "What Improvement can we make on the Present Arrangement of Our S. S. Association." Able speeches were made by J M Walker N Buchanan, R P Geer, M S Haynes, M B Flack and others. A collection was taken up for the expenses of this Association amounting to $2.35 which was taken charge of by B P Geer. Called for volunteers to visit the Sunday Schools of the Green River Association Institute. A P Sorrels, M L Haynes, J M Walker and N Buchanan volunteered.

The Committee on Religious Exercises decided to have sermon at 11 o'clock a. m. Sunday.

The querry "Bible Sanctification" was left over till Sunday afternoon. Adjourned. Benediction by J M Walker.

SUNDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Sunday School Lesson was taught by A P Sorrels. The convention was called to order by the clerk. Owing to the absence of Moderator, N C Lovelace was elected Moderator, protem. The Propriety of Each of Our Sunday Schools Taking a Monthly Collection for the Orphanage, was then taken up. Very able speeches were made on the querry by Z V Hudgins, A L Rucker, R P Geer, A P Sorrels and J M Walker. A collection was taken up for the Orphanage, amounting to $4.14. Recess 15 minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Querry No. 7, "Bible Sanctification," was discussed by J M Walker, A P Sorrels and Clarence Davis.

N. BUCHANAN,
Moderator.

GEO. W. SORRELS,
Clerk.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON QUERRIES.

We, the committee on answers to querries submit the following report.

1st Querry. "The Teacher and his work. 1. The teacher should have faith in God. 2. Should believe the whole Bible. 3. Should be a regenerated person. 4. Should be guided by, and filled with the Holy Ghost. This will enable him to keep himself unspotted from the world and give him the confidence of his class.

The Teacher's Work. 1. Cause the class to know the Bible. 2. Help them to apply Biblical knowledge to their own character. Repentance, faith, obedience, humility, patience, temperance, charity are some of the things a teacher should strive to instill into the character of each student. 3. The teacher should strive to interest the unconcerned in the study of the Bible. Many, many, that have joined the church are out of the Suuday School and are not studying the Bible as they should. Though it be a hard task let the teachers do their best.

2nd Querry. "The Superintendent and Pastor." They should consult together, grade the school, promote the students to a higher grade at the proper time. The pastor can aid much by studyiug the lessons himself, referring to it in his sermons at convenient times. It is thought that some of our pastors do not give the Sunday Schools their presence as often as they might. The superintendent should know the kind of work done by each teacher. and see that every class has the best available teacher. Should be vigilant and strive to make those who attend the school feel that it is good for them to be there.